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Philately Of Japan Featured

Japan Notes 100th Year Of University

To commemorate the centenary of the foundation of Keio Gijuku, the present Keio University, Japan will issue on a special 10 yen stamp November 8.



It will show the building of the institution in the lower left half, and a bust of founder Yukiichi Fukuzawa on the school badge. The border reproduces the tessellated wall of the public speaking hall of the University. Hitoshi Otsuka designed the new adhesive. It is being printed in an edition of 15 million, 20 to the sheet, by the engraved process. The color is dark reddish purple. It will be sold by the Philatelic Agency, Tokyo, and at all post offices throughout Japan.

Hammonton, N. J. Club Latest SOJEX Member

Through an omission on the part of the publicity committee of "SOJEX 1958" an article listing member clubs of the Assn. of South Jersey Stamp Clubs failed to mention its newest and one of its most active units, the Hammonton, N. J. Collectors' Club. The election of the Hammonton group to membership early this year brings the membership of the association to 13 clubs. The Hammonton Collectors' Club meets presently at the home of two of its members, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ludwick, 61 Pressey St., Hammonton. It is composed of both newer collectors and veterans. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome, and will always find both stamps and lively discussion on them.

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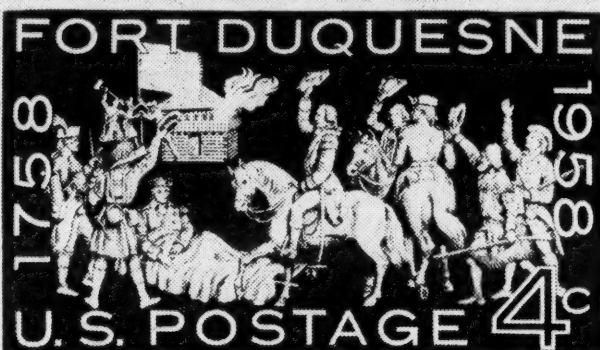
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"IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN DONE BY WEDGWOOD HIMSELF" describes the design of the Ft. Duquesne 4c bicentennial commemorative to be released at Pittsburgh, Pa. November 25. The motif is in the cameo-like technique made famous by the English pottery maker, Josiah Wedgwood, who was a contemporary of the historical event depicted. The issue will be 120 million, 50 stamps per pane; the color will be announced later.

Ft. Duquesne 4c November 25 At Pittsburgh; Design Based On Old Etching And Painting

The 4c Ft. Duquesne bicentennial commemorative stamp, to be released November 25 at Pittsburgh, Pa. will feature a Wedgwood-like effect depicting the occupation of the fort by the British, according to Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield.

Ft. Duquesne was important in the early struggles between France and England for control of the North American continent. George Washington visited the site at the confluence of the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers in 1753 on orders from Governor Robert Dinwiddie of Virginia, and reported that he thought the land well situated for an English fort.

Work was begun under Captain William Trent the following year, but the French drove his crew off, completed the construction and named it Ft. Duquesne. With an increased awareness of its importance, the English sent Gen. Braddock to recapture the fort. His march ended with his defeat and death at Braddock's Field about ten miles from his objective.

In 1758 Brig. Gen. John Forbes, accompanied by Col. Washington, succeeded in taking the fort, and renamed it Ft. Pitt.

The central design of the stamp is a composite of an etching by T. B. Smith, provided by the New York Public Library, and a painting owned by Mrs. William J. Crittenden of Sewickley, Pa. and now on loan to the Western Pennsylvania Historical Society.

William H. Buckley, member

of the Postmaster General's Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee, as the designer, and Douglas Gorsline of New York, as the artist, interpreted the etching and painting and created a composite drawing utilizing only certain figures.

Gen. Forbes is depicted in the foreground on a stretcher, or litter. In addition to Col. Washington, who is on horseback in the center, Col. Henry Bouquet, who was second in command to the ailing Forbes, and other figures were selected to represent the Virginia militia and provincial army. In the background, to the left, is a group raising the British flag, while a segment of the stockade is shown burning.

Around the sides and across the top of the stamp, in white Gothic lettering, is "1758 Fort Duquesne" (Continued on page 26)

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Studying The Many Varieties Of Inscriptions On Japanese Stamps Is Profitable Project

R. P. Alexander

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As is true with every country, the stamps of Japan mirror its face and its soul. In the case of Japan, with its particular form of artistic expression so highly developed, this mission is accomplished in a special manner which adds interest—and problems—to the task of the philatelist who sets himself up as a student of the philately of Japan. It is to this special field of the world-wide stamp collecting hobby that the ISJP is devoted.

Consider for a moment the first characteristic which distinguishes Japanese postal paper from that with which we of the English speaking world are acquainted—the language. On the stamps of Japan, the language is far from being "all Japanese". Indeed, there is a fantastic array of varieties of inscriptions within the broad field of Japanese philately. The purpose of this present article is to call attention to this fact and to point up its fascinating ramifications. No attempt will be made here to discuss all of the kinds of inscriptions to be found; a few samples will suffice. Obviously, by far the most of these inscriptions are in Japanese.

Japanese — The Japanese, who had no written word system of their own, faced many difficulties when they first attempted to use the Chinese logographic system for writing Japanese. The Chinese word-symbols met the needs of the monosyllabic, uninflected and analytic Chinese language.

The problems which beset the Japanese, in adapting the Chinese written system to the polysyllabic Japanese language with its highly inflected verbs and adjectives, are illuminatingly treated by Sir George Sansom in his "An Historical Grammar of Japanese", 1928.

Ultimately, the Japanese came to the use of Chinese characters, which they learned from Chinese teachers from various parts of China and from various periods and who did not speak the same dialect. Thus Chinese characters gradually came to have two or three different readings, one being preferred to the other depending upon context.

Furthermore, the Japanese translated the meanings of these Chinese characters into Japanese,

thus giving the characters still another reading, and some single Chinese characters have many different Japanese readings or pronunciations. In addition, along about the eighth and ninth centuries, a system of writing, called "kana" (taken from Chinese characters) also came into use.

There are two kinds of kana; one is called "katakana" or "side" kana, so named because they are derived from the sides or parts of Chinese characters. The other is called "hiragana" resulting from cursive forms of entire Chinese characters.

Both the katakana and the hiragana represent sounds and stand for syllables, and not letters as in the English alphabet. Examples of all of these kinds of script are to be found on the postage stamps of Japan.

1) Characters — The most frequent inscription in Japanese philately, written in Chinese characters, is to be seen in Illustration No. 1. This is read Nihon (meaning "Japan") or "Japanese" and YU-BIN (meaning "post" or mail).

2) Katakana — Take, for example, the stamp issued June 18, 1958 to mark the 50th anniversary of Japanese Emigration to Brazil. At the foot of this stamp, reading from left to right (Illustration No. 2), is the katakana rendition of BU-RA-JI-RU, standing for "Brazil".

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Israel Stamp, Tab List Bible Quotation

"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself", is inscribed on the tab of the Human Rights Day Stamp to be issued by Israel on December 10 in French, English, Spanish, Russian, and Chinese. These are the five official languages of the United Nations.

It is interesting to note that the second language is English and not American, as "neighbor" is spelled in the English manner "neighbour". The first four languages are arranged under each other in order as listed; the Chinese is placed reading down the right hand side of the tab.

At the left side of the tab, the source of the Biblical quotation is identified in Hebrew and in English (Leviticus XIX-18).

This is the first time that a Bible quotation will appear in the five official languages of the UN on any stamp or tab.



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Although "Postal Bell", the monthly publication of the parent society, carries chapter news and special notices, its chief appeal to the membership lies in other features. In an informal style quite its own, and with the charming work of staff artist Hisashi Ozawa providing pertinent illustrations, this hctographed publication furthers the study of the philately of Japan.

It gives new issue data obtained directly from official sources, together with brief accounts of national history, customs and folk lore as they relate to stamp or stationery issues, and frequent articles by members. Occasionally articles of special interest are reprinted from other publications.

Chapters, although governed by the constitution and by-laws of the main Society, are wholly self-dependent in planning and conducting their meetings.

It has been most interesting to note the choice of subjects to be studied, as given in chapter reports, for they show a genuine interest in Japanese philately, in many aspects. The headquarters group, under present leadership, has been devoting time to the study of Japanese script in order to better understand the over-all picture of Japanese philately.

Present elected officers of the Berkeley society are Hiroshi Kanda, president; Fred B. Thomas, vice president; Tad Fujita, executive secretary and editor; and Mrs. June B. Moore, recording secretary.

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484-4c Coil, type 3	1.07	1.09
485-5c Coil	1.08	1.10
486-6c Coil	1.09	1.11
487-7c Coil, type 3	1.11	1.13
488-8c Coil, type 1	1.16	1.20
489-9c Coil, type II	1.38	1.46
490-10c Coil	1.11	1.13
491-11c Coil	1.07	1.09
492-12c Coil	1.08	1.10
493-13c Coil	1.09	1.11
494-14c Coil	1.10	1.12
495-15c Coil	1.11	1.13
496-16c Coil	1.12	1.14
497-17c Coil	1.13	1.15
498-18c Coil	1.14	1.16
499-19c Coil	1.15	1.17
500-20c Coil	1.16	1.18
501-21c Coil	1.17	1.19
502-22c Coil	1.18	1.20
503-23c Coil	1.19	1.21
504-24c Coil	1.20	1.22
505-25c Coil	1.21	1.23
506-26c Coil	1.22	1.24
507-27c Coil	1.23	1.25
508-28c Coil	1.24	1.26
509-29c Coil	1.25	1.27
510-30c Coil	1.26	1.28
511-31c Coil	1.27	1.29
512-32c Coil	1.28	1.30
513-33c Coil	1.29	1.31
514-34c Coil	1.30	1.32
515-35c Coil	1.31	1.33
516-36c Coil	1.32	1.34

COMMEMORATIVES MINT

	Fine	V.F.
835-3c Ratification	1.11	1.13
836-3c Swedes	1.11	1.13
837-3c Small Northwest	1.06	1.11
838-3c Iowa	1.12	1.14
839-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
840-3c Inauguration	1.12	1.14
841-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
842-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
843-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
844-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
845-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
846-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
847-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
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898-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
899-3c Your choice, each	1.12	1.14
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Mint Complete	\$5.95	\$7.75
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	Fine	V.F.
V.F. Mint #100A 10c Orange		
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	Fine	V.F.
731-3c Cent. of Progress	2.75	2.95
732-3c Byrd	2.95	3.15
733-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
734-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
735-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
736-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
737-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
738-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
739-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
740-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
741-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
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746-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
747-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
748-3c Park sheet of 6	1.30	1.40
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	Fine	V.F.
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C2-12c Green	6.25	8.50
C3-24c Carmine & Blue	4.75	6.00
C4-12c Blue	6.25	8.50
C5-12c Blue	6.25	8.50
C6-24c Carmine	6.25	8.50
C7-12c Map	1.17	1.21
C8-12c Map	1.17	1.21
C9-24c Map	4.50	5.50
C10-12c Lindbergh	4.50	5.50
C11-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50
C12-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50
C13-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50
C14-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50
C15-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50
C16-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50
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C48-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50
C49-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50
C50-5c Beacon	3.00	3.50

KANSAS OVERPRINTS

	Fine	V.F.
Mint Fine-V.F. \$30.00		

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	Fine	V.F.
265-1c Trans-Miss.	3.98	4.50
266-1c Purchase	4.00	4.50
267-1c Lincoln	3.50	4.00
268-1c Alaska-Yukon	3.50	4.00
269-1c Hudson Imperf.	4.00	4.50
270-1c Black Harding	3.50	4.00
271-1c Harding Imperf.	3.50	4.00
272-1c Harding	3.50	4.00
273-1c Harding	3.50	4.00
274-1c Harding	3.50	4.00
275-1c Harding	3.50	4.00
276-1c Harding	3.50	4.00
277-1c Harding	3.50	4.00
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USED U.S.

	Fine	V.F.
330-3c Jamestown	2.25	2.50
331-3c Alaska-Yukon	1.50	1.75
332-3c Alaska-Yukon	1.50	1.75
333-3c Alaska-Yukon	1.50	1.75
334-3c Alaska-Yukon	1.50	1.75
335-3c Alaska-Yukon	1.50	1.75
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USED \$2.00 AND \$5.00

	Fine	V.F.
833 \$2 Harding, Fine	.68	V.F. .85
834 \$5 Coolidge, Fine	.45	V.F. .50

USED PARKS

	Fine	V.F.
740-4c Perforated, Fine	90c	V.F. \$1.10
740-4c Imperf.	\$1.70	Pairs \$3.40

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Our Thirtieth Birthday

You will note I have said "Our Thirtieth Birthday" meaning that of Linn's Weekly Stamp News. My next one will be my 75th which occurs early in February. The first number of this paper was published and dated on November 5, 1928, that therefore makes this last number for October 1958 the end of thirty years of publication. We enter our 31st year with our issue of November 3, 1958.



GEORGE W. LINN

It would be interesting to me to go back and reminisce as to the different stamp papers and other publications that I have been responsible for over the past 58 years. I say 58 years because my first one was started on Christmas day in the year 1900. The first number was a small four-page affair about 3 x 4 1/2 inches in size. The second number turned into an eight-page and cover edition called "The Columbus Philatelist" and was 4 3/4 x 6 inches. This continued for about nine months when it was changed to the standard 6 x 9 inch size and ran on for several years.

In later years other publications were started which had careers of from a few months to two or three years each. About 1913 I got interested in the Mexican stamps that started coming from Sonora, Mexico and soon began dealing in stamps as a full time business. During these years, or up into 1926, I bought and sold and handled more of the stamps of Sonora than anyone else in the world. I wrote two books on these Mexican issues and sold large collections to Parker W. Lyon of California and a year later another large collection to Arthur Hind of Utica, N. Y.

During this same period I handled all of the stamps that came out of Europe following the first world war.

I gave up stamp dealing about 1927 and went back into the printing business with my father. In 1928 this publication was started and you who have been with us through the years have seen it grow, have its ups and downs, and can now see the present result.

It has satisfied my ambition to create and build the largest stamp collectors' publication in the world and I am quite happy over the result.

I know quite well however that my success in this field has been due to the thousands of friends that I have made both as a stamp dealer and as a publisher.

I have never aspired for or held office in any of the larger philatelic societies because I could not sit idle and do nothing as has so often been the policy of these organizations. I have always fought for the right in our hobby and could not sit idle and see nothing done to correct many of the wrongs that have infested it.

It is interesting to me to look back at the first number of this paper and to note the names of dealers who were represented there. Few of them are still in business and many of them have passed away. The one that stands out in my thoughts most is the name of Max Ohlman of New York who passed away a number of months ago. Mr. Ohlman was an advertiser in our first issue and if my judgement is not wrong he advertised in every issue of this paper up until the time of his death. I will not attempt to name others who were advertisers and who may still be among the living. There are many names that have passed away and are not longer with us.

Without the support of many of these people who did stay with us for years and years we never could have made the grade. Our first issue was put out with an advance subscription list of over 500 collectors. We guaranteed a circulation of 2000 copies weekly at the start and after four and a half months we had come so near a 2000 paid circulation that we were able to apply for second-class mailing rates and continue with the 2000 or more weekly circulation. After that we were on the up grade for many years and today are well up front in circulation.

In our first number we listed 25 people who had sent us five or more subscription for themselves and friends. Today I can look over this list and count many that I know are gone, while I can count but a very few that I know are still among the living.

These 30 years have been among the most enjoyable of my life. I am a printer and newspaper man and love the work more than any other kind of work. I shall continue to strive to help develop this paper to the fullest extent.

I would be unfair to those associated with me if I did not mention the name of Lewis F. Turley, the man who has handled the advertising accounts of this paper. I have forgotten how long he has been with the paper but he is the oldest in years of service. Next comes Mr. Carl P. Rueth who became associated with us over ten years ago and who has done a splendid job in putting the paper together each week and filling it with matter that has kept it as it has been planned over the past years.

The rest of our employees of whom there are altogether eleven in our office in Sidney have been faithful and steady and have done their jobs well.

It is thus due to the splendid support that has been given by all that we are continuing to grow as has been our constant aim.

However, no matter how hard we may work, we have to have the support of the stamp dealers and the stamp collectors. We have long recognized the fact that to build a sound subscription list was the first necessity. If we satisfy the readers we will get circulation and if we get circulation we will get advertising patronage from those smart dealers who know that they can reach more people for less money through a publication like ours than in any other way. This means satisfaction for everyone and has been our constant aim.

Let me therefore close by thanks to everyone, our employees, our subscribers and our host of dealers.

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Billig Rocket Mail Catalog Supplement

One of many interesting developments which has paralleled the rocket, guided missile and satellite progress of the scientific world is the great upturn which has taken place in the philatelic concern in the new age. "The rocket mail collectors are not singular individuals any more," states Dr. Max Kronstein in the introduction to his 1958 supplement to the Stephen H. Smith Rocket Mail Catalog.

The new volume, a 24-page printed booklet on slick paper, contains considerable new information on the rocketry of the past 30 years or so, a good portion of which is thoroughly necessary to clarify details of various flights which were not fully or accurately described in the original listings.

There are brief chapters on modern covers by guided missiles and by manned rocket planes. Both rocketry specialists and airmail historical collectors will find the newcomer interesting. It is offered at \$1.75 by Fritz Billig, 168-39 Highland Ave., Jamaica 32, N. Y.

California Clubs Plan 14th "SESCAL"

Distinctive seals and cachets have been designed to note the 14th annual "SESCAL" exhibition of the Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California, Inc. The event will be held November 14-16 at the Elks Club, 607 S. Park View St., Los Angeles, Calif.

The seals in three colors are 10c each, three for 25c. The two-color cachet is 15c, two for 25c, from George J. Fosdyke, 459 S. Bixel, Los Angeles, Calif.

The show is open to all California collectors. The prospectus may be obtained from Ernest H. Rankin, 2552 Loma Vista Dr., Alhambra, Calif. Junior collectors should write William W. Hornelas, 2417 W. Lincoln Ave., Montebello, Calif. for information on the Junior section.

Wichita Stamp Club To Exhibit November 29-30

The Wichita, Kans. Stamp Club will hold its 26th anniversary celebration in conjunction with its annual exhibition and bourse November 29-30 at St. Anthony's, Ohio and 2nd St., Wichita.

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Oct. 27 — Forest Conservation 4c, Tucson, Ariz. (50 per pane, 160 million).
Nov. 21 — Airmail 7c envelope, New York, N. Y. (Selling price, 8c each).
Nov. 25 — 200th Anniversary of Pittsburgh 4c, Pittsburgh 19, Pa.
Dec. 12 — John Jay 15c regular, Washington 13, D. C.
Details as to denomination, color and stamps will be announced when available.

ALREADY ISSUED
1100 — Gardening 3c, Ithaca, N. Y., March 15.
1101 — Liberty 8c "Glori", Cleveland, Ohio, March 22.
1103 — Reverse 25c regular, Boston Mass., April 18.
1104 — Brussels Exhibition 8c, Detroit, Mich., April 17.
1105 — Monroe 3c, Montross, Va., April 28.
1106 — Minnesota Statehood 3c, St. Paul, Minn., May 11.
1107 — IGY 3c, Chicago, Ill., May 31.
1108 — Gunston Hall 3c, Lorton, Va., June 12.
1109 — Mackinac Bridge 3c, Mackinaw City and St. Ignace, Mich., June 23.
1110-11 — Simon Bolivar "Champions of Liberty", 4c and 8c, Washington, D.C. July 24.
1052 — Lincoln 4c coil, Mandan, N. D., July 31.
1053a — Lincoln 4c booklet, Wheeling, W. Va., July 31.
C50 — Airmail 5c, Colorado Springs, Colo., July 31.
C51 — Airmail 7c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 31.
C51a — Airmail 7c booklet, San Antonio, Texas, July 31.
C52 — Airmail 7c coil, Miami, Fla., July 31.
U536 — Franklin 4c envelope, Montpelier, Vt., July 31.
UC26 — Airmail 7c envelope, Dayton, Ohio, July 31.
— Liberty 3c reply card, Boise, Idaho, July 31.
— Airmail 5c postal card, Wichita, Kans., July 31.
— Liberty 3c postal card, Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 1.
1112 — Atlantic Cable 4c, New York City, August 15.
1113 — Lincoln-Douglas Debates 4c, Freeport, Ill., August 27.
— Air Letter Sheet 10c, St. Louis, Mo., September 12.
1114-15 — Lajos Kossuth "Champions of Liberty" 4c and 8c, Washington, D. C., September 19.
1116 — Journalism 4c, Columbia, Mo., September 22.
1117 — Overland Mail 4c, San Francisco, Calif., October 10.
1118 — Noah Webster 4c, West Hartford, Conn., October 16.

UNITED NATIONS
Dec. 10 — Human Rights Day 4c and 8c.
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Iceland Ponies (2)	.10
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DI. New Guinea Red X	(4)	45
Ecuador Phil. Exhib. air	(3)	84
Finland School centen.	(1)	17
Germany "Fight Atom Death"	(2)	20
Haiti IGY po-air	(7)	174
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IGY Penguins - U.S. Satellite		
Radar - Deep sea explor.	(7)	175
Same Min. Sht. Ltd. Iss.	(1)	149
Honduras US flag in colors	(10)	660
It. Somali Antelopes air	(2)	115
Italy Naples stamp centen.	(2)	25
Europa 1958 de luxe sht.	(1)	100
Japan Intl. letter week	(1)	11
Same cpl. sht. of 20	(1)	210
Netherl. Europa 1958 FDC	(1)	45
Poland IGY	(2)	30
Russia Capital cities	(4)	65
writer & music cent.	(1)	17
San Marino Naples stamp		
cent.	(2)	43
U.N. UN Day 1958	(2)	17
Same Inscr. II	(2)	100
Same FDC Aircraft	(2)	40
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In George Linn's editorial this week on page four you folks are informed that this October 27 edition is the last one in our 30th year of publication. Our 31st year begins with next week's November 3 paper. He has highly interesting reminiscing about Linn's Weekly Stamp News which you newer members of the "family" will enjoy.

Because the statistical data in our archives in Sidney he was not in a position to include it. Some of these figures will be of great interest to our many friends, both readers and dealers, since their loyalty and support have brought on the fine growth we have had.

You might remember the resume of the business in the May 5 edition of this year when announcement was made of our move to new and more modern quarters. We are well situated now with only a few odds and ends to handle. We have had some visitors stop on their way through Sidney this summer.

In that same news story you were told that the entire production of the paper rested on the shoulders of George Linn until March 1947 at which time I came into the picture. The firm was incorporated then into the G. W. Linn Co., Inc. with George Linn retaining 51% of the stock and yours truly the remaining 49%.

The information which follows deals with the period with which I am familiar, the last 10½ years. In March 1947 we had some better than 23,000 PAID subscribers. By 1949 Linn's was 26,482 and our two chief competitive papers had circulations of: Publication W, 33,435; Publication S, 31,398. (These and other circulation figures are from Sworn Statements of Circulation).

Five years later, in 1954, the Paid Circulation of the three was: Linn's 41,246; Publication S, 28,823; Publication W, 27,775.

Just this month each of the three again printed their sworn statements for 1958 showing these totals: Linn's 60,349; Publication S, 32,817; Publication W, 31,835. So you can see at this stage Linn's is almost twice as large as its two nearest competitors combined.

This tremendous circulation (at least for a philatelic publication) has attracted the nation's top flight dealers to serve our readers with a wide selection of all kinds of stamps and other philatelic items. Never before have collectors had the wonderful opportunity to shop so widely as in each weekly edition of Linn's.

Back in 1947, we had slightly less than 100 dealers contracted to advertise. As of this edition the total is 349 contract advertisers, many of whom offer their wares each week, plus approximately 200 transient accounts. That figure does not include the Classified Ad section, four full pages this edition, which has hundreds more dealers.

I can remember back in 1947 when all during the fall and winter months we printed 12-page papers, mostly. Come early May, and into late September we had 8-page ones most of the time. Contrast this with today's picture when we are producing 24 and 28 page papers regularly each week, winter and summer. And it seems as though we will have a number of 32-page editions this fall and winter - last week's and this one are both that many.

Our reading matter takes second place to none. We have a fine group of writers and correspondents who supply us with the tops in philatelic articles. We have more important ones on all phases of the hobby than other publications including the "slick paper" productions and also those which might be printed on the same type paper as ours.

Since 1951 the last edition of each month has been sponsored by a specialist society which provides the reading matter and illustrations devoted to their pet subject. This has given our readers a highly diversified look at the hobby, a great amount of information and an opportunity for them to become associated with the leading collectors' groups of this country.

A very fine tribute to Linn's Weekly Stamp News has come in the form of the special editions which have been sponsored by the postal administrations of several foreign governments. The first was by the Netherlands in December 1957, the next by Egypt in July 1958, and just last week by Switzerland. There are still more to come!

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Nov. 24 — ATA Fine Arts Unit.
Dec. 29 — American Air Mail Society.

Jan. 26 — Italy Stamp Group.
Feb. 23 — Masonic Stamp Club.

Further inquiries can be directed to this paper by interested dealers.

Clubs or societies agreeable to sponsoring a special edition can get the details on request.

and wages have gone way up. It has always been our policy to keep Linn's as reasonable in cost as possible, and we believe we have been quite successful with that goal.

While the above is the nature of "blowing our horn" a little bit, it all nevertheless is factual. I think our readers and dealers will be proud and happy to know they are part of this organization. We, of course, think they are the world's nicest people.

1. Who is pictured on the Texas Centennial commem of 1936?
2. Who is pictured on the Ordinance of 1787 stamp of 1937?

I want to thank all of you who wrote that they had received some of their covers from the Deep Freeze Expedition in the Antarctic. From the dates a lot of you told me they had, I gather that postmarking went on from April into July.

The rest of the covers will be along "some time" — don't get restless about it.

You can hardly miss the fact that Japanese philately comes in for some outstanding treatment this edition. The topnotch writers in the field have taken over and presented some important reading.

Japan is becoming a more popular nation all the time with stamp collectors. I believe its issues will become increasingly attractive — surely they are pretty, at the moment, plentiful and the product of a country which has a very good reputation philatelically.

As some of you know, Japan is one of my pets. Right after World War II, when many of us were sending food and clothing to those people, a packet of Japanese stamps came from one of them as a token of appreciation. Right there I was sold and have been since.

One of the most "Wowie" covers I have received in quite some time came from Mrs. Howard Stout of Athens, Ohio. I don't know how she managed it but it has seven different cachets including the printed one from El Paso, Texas. The envelope is the long kind (No. 10).

Besides the printed El Paso cachet, the front also bears that of the El Paso Historical Society, and the Tipton, Mo.—San Francisco one. On the back are these four — Anthony, N.M.—Texas; Las Cruces, N.M.; El Paso's Missions; San Antonio, San Diego Mission Mail.

On this page you will see a picture of a cover of which there weren't many. It is a revalued FIPEX 6c airmail envelope which bears the colorful HPO cancellation of the Butterfield Overland Mail Caravan. It was sent by Jim Chemi of Phoenix, Ariz.

Why to date has the Post Office Department and the Stamp Advisory Committee ignored a commemorative to mark the 150th anniversary of birth of President Andrew Johnson? This anniversary will take place on December 29.

If we can release commemoratives for the unimportant things such as Chickens, Gunston Hall, Battle of Brooklyn and quite a few

others, we can hardly ignore a president on a legitimate anniversary.

This is the annual reminder to those of you who have members of your family or friends abroad. If you are going to send them packages for Christmas you'd better get with it. The post office goes all out in seeing that such are delivered on time of you give them an even break by mailing at a reasonable date.

A package to be opened on Christmas Day is oh so much more wonderful than several days or weeks after.

What seems to be a legitimate variety of the "long" size 6c airmail envelope (Scott No. UC-18) has been sent by Burl C. Henry of Endicott, N.Y. This envelope has been revalued to 7c by the device used currently for that task, the "eagle clutching a 1 cent", in green.

Across the bottom of the embossed design is the wording in colorless letters, "UNITED STATES OF AMERICA". The "A" of STATES has no horizontal bar to it giving the letter the appearance of an inverted "V". Examination under magnification shows no trace of the bar. I won't hazard an opinion how this came about. It does exist, and very plainly.

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By no means entirely "all clear", but certainly less mystifying, thanks to the author's exposition of the subject, is the matter of the many languages which have appeared on the stamps of Japan. Included are 1, Chinese; 2, Katakana; 3, Hiragana; 5, Korean; 4, mixed Katakana and Hiragana; 6, Chinese; 7, Ryukyuan; 8, Chinese; 12, Mongolian; 9, Tagalog; 10, and 11, Burmese. Details are set forth in the accompanying article.

STUDYING VARIETIES
(Continued from page 1)

3), Hiragana — The titular inscription on the miniature sheet marking the Children's Exhibition in Inuyama, issued May 5, 1949 (in Illustration 3) is in hiragana, reads KO-DO-MO, and means "children".

4), Mixed Character and Hiragana — The marginal inscription of the Arbor Day Stamp of April 1, 1949 (Illustration 4) is read UETE SODATEYO WARE-RA NO KYODO, the bold face parts being hiragana, the balance being in characters.

There are very many styles in the writing of Chinese characters, but no useful point is to be served by any discussion of these styles within the confines of this simple account. Aside from Chinese characters, known as kanji in Japanese, and aside from both katakana and hiragana, there are a number of other types of writing to be found on the stamps of Japan.

English — The commemorative stamp issued in Japan last September 7 contains the following: "5th International Congress on Diseases of the Chest" and "7th International Congress on Bronchoesophagology". These are repeated, in Japanese, in the inscriptions in the east and west panels, respectively.

Japanese written in English letters — We are all familiar with "sen" and "yen", which are Japanese words found on Japanese stamps but written with English letters or, to use the commoner term, written in roman letters, or romanized. Similarly, we find such romanizations as BEPPU, FUJI-HAKONE, and the like.

French language inscriptions are to be seen in a number of instances. One coming to mind is that found on the miniature sheet issued December 25, 1938, reading PARC NATIONAL DE NIKKO. Surely, all who receive airmail from Japan will have noted the PAR AVION stickers on the envelopes.

Chemical symbols — All will have noted the C₂H₅OH appearing on the stamp issued September 14, 1948 to mark the 10th anniversary of the enforcement of the Alcohol Monopoly Law. This is read in several ways, including A-RU-KO-ORU (in Japanese), "alcohol" (in English) or even as "ethyl hydrate".

Esperanto — Many are familiar with the Esperanto Congress held in Japan in November 1956 when a special commemorative cancellation was used reading "JAPANA JUBILEO KONGRESSO ESPERANTA".

This marked the 5th anniversary of the Esperanto Movement in Japan with first day covers reading "1906 ORA JUBILEO DE JAPANA ESPERANTO-MOVADO 1956".

Korean, as does Japanese, employs both Chinese characters and syllabics. The Chinese characters are read in Korean and not in Chinese, but the readings are closer to the Chinese originals than the Sino-Japanese readings accorded by the Japanese to Chinese characters. For example, the characters in Illustration No. 5, reading from left to right, are read:

TAE-HAN-CHE-KUK (in Korean), DAI-KAN-TEI-KOKU (in Japanese) and TA-HAN-TI-KUO (in Chinese), yet however it is read, it means "Imperial Korea".

Other Korean stamps (also falling within the embrace of Japanese philately) give the same inscription written in the Chinese alphabet/syllabary, as seen in Illustration No. 6.

Ryukyuan — While on the subject of Chinese characters, mention might be made of the fact that they are used in the Ryukyu Islands also and, as in the case of the Japanese, are at times accorded readings which are peculiarly Ryukyuan. For example, in the case of the postal cancellation, seen in Illustration No. 7, this is read:

NAKA GUSHIKU in Ryukyuan, and

NAKA SHIRO or CHU JO in Japanese

Chinese inscriptions in large numbers are used on the stamps of Manchukuo and on the stamps of the Japanese Occupation of China. To cite but a single instance, let us examine the two stamps issued May 25, 1941 to commemorate the Enactment of Conscription Law.

A Chinese slogan is to be found above each top stamp in the sheet, as shown in Illustration No. 8, meaning "It is important to give the street address on the gate to avoid error in delivery." This reads as follows:

WUYAO XUANGUA MENPAI

YIMIAN YOUJIAN CUODI (in the new Chinese communist alphabet), but in the more familiar modified Wade-Giles rendition, it is WU-YAO HSIUAN-KUA MEN-PAI I-MIEN YU-CHEN TS'OTI.

Let us now turn to some of the inscriptions found on the stamps of Japanese Occupation of Southeast Asia. In the Philippine Islands, we find, for example:

Tagalog inscriptions either on the stamps or in the cancellations, such as LIMBAGAN meaning "Printing Press", K.P. (standing for KAGAMITAN PAMPA-MAHALAAN meaning "Government Business"), and KALAYAAN ("Independence") NG (or NANG) ("of") PILIPINAS ("Philippines").

Spanish — The miniature sheet of October 14, 1943, contains in the Spanish language the fourth stanza of the "Last Farewell" of Dr. Jose Rizal, one line of which, for example, runs:

MIS ("My") SUEÑOS ("dreams") CUANDO ("when") JOVEN ("young") YA ("and") ALLENO ("full") DE ("of") VIGOR ("vigor").

Tagalog — The issue of October 14, 1943 shows the Tagalog KALAYAAN NG PILIPINAS in the upper portion, but immediately below it, as seen in Illustration No. 9, is the Tagalog inscription which is similarly pronounced.

Tagalog is described by Magtanggul Asa as "one of the best indices of the existence of an autochthonous culture in this part of the globe in prehispanic days" and as "an ancient system of writing whose syllabary was known as the baybayin, consisting of seventeen characters and several paleographic signs."

Thai — The stamps printed in Japan and issued in Thailand May 13, 1957 to mark the 2500th anniversary of the death of Buddha show Thai inscriptions. The simplest of them, found at the top of each value (illustrated in No. 10) and reading from left to right, reads BPRA-TET ("Nation") TAI ("Thai") which together mean "Thailand".

Annamese inscriptions appear on the stamps printed in Japan and issued in Viet Nam on November 7, for example:

VIET NAM CONG HOA ("Republic of Viet Nam") BU-CHINH ("Postal Administration") and D (an abbreviation of "dong" meaning "piastres").

The same stamps also show the English, Spanish and Annamese inscriptions, of identical meaning, reading:

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Urdu inscriptions are encountered on the stamps prepared in Rangoon by order of the Japanese military authorities for use in the intended occupation of India. They read as follows:

ARZI ("Provisional") HUKU-MATE ("Government")
AZAD ("Free") HIND ("India")

CHALO ("March on") DELHI ("Delhi")

Burmese — To take but a couple of words from the Burmese inscriptions on the stamps of the Japanese Occupation of Burma, we find, in Illustration No. 11, BA MA on the left reading from left to right and meaning "Burma", and YON THON on the right meaning "Official Use".

Mongolian — Illustration No. 12 shows a Mongolian word taken from one of the several Mongolian inscriptions found on the commemorative stamps issued for Inner Mongolia in 1943 and 1944 by the Japanese.

These stamps were printed in Japan and the Mongolian inscriptions, according to some authorities, were written by some individual not entirely familiar with Mongolian script. Consequently, it is alleged, several errors were made. Illustration No. 12, therefore, shows but the single word "Mongol" or "Mongolian".

Before bringing this short account to a close, it might be mentioned that there were German inscriptions (German Prisoner of War Mail, World War I, in Japan; Japanese Naval Occupation of the Marshall Islands in the same war) and Dutch inscriptions on the stamps overprinted during the Japanese Occupation of the Dutch East Indies.

Also, there are Arabic and Malayan inscriptions found on the stamps overprinted during the Japanese Occupation of the Malay Peninsula; Russian inscription (translated by Japanese kana) in the postmarks of the Japanese Occupation of Siberia in 1920, and so on, not discussed in this over-all survey account.

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8b	19.50	19.50	69	4.50	2.25	115/25	27.50	75	347/50	42	—	465	20	18	567/68	48	—
9	7.50	—	70	1.00	—	116/24	12.50	45	351/61	1.40	—	466	20	18	569/72	65	—
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Japanese Philately's \$64,000 Question: What Happened In Occupied Portuguese Timor?

R. P. Alexander

If Winston Churchill were a philatelist reviewing the results of research into the philatelic aspects of the Japanese Occupation of Timor, he would probably say: "Never has so little been learned by so few working so much."

Fairly complete information is available on the operation of Japanese military post offices in Portuguese Timor during the period in question, thanks to a study made by Seki Masakata, an ISJP member and an official of the Japanese Ministry of Postal Services.

The study in question was published by Nakagawa Choichi, another ISJP member in Japan. It contains full particulars of the Army Field Post Offices (and their branches) and also of the Naval Post Offices involved.

But what of civilian mail services in Portuguese Timor during the period of Japanese military control? The well-known handbook by Hedeman and Boekema, "DAI NIPPON IN SOUTH EAST ASIA, 1948" states, "It is still obscure what has happened to the prewar stamps of the Portuguese part of Timor, and we shall gladly be enlightened on this point, in spite of the fact that the Portuguese officials do not appear to know anything of the subject."

Back in 1940, the Portuguese part of the island had a population of almost half a million in an area of 7383 square miles. It appears probable that some form of civilian mail service was kept in operation, but the evidence available is mighty scanty.

The Portuguese Embassy in Washington, D. C. informed the writer on January 7, 1957 that: "... this Embassy has been informed that during the period of Japanese occupation in World War II, there were no postal services in Timor, now were stamps used or post offices established in that territory."

Various scraps, bits and pieces of tantalizing information have become available. Some eight or ten years ago, Robert M. Spaulding, Jr. saw in Tokyo an album page containing approximately a dozen stamps of Portuguese Timor (regular issues) bearing an anchor overprint. All were mint and to the best of his recollection, Mr. Spaulding believes that

for any information in this direction.

Unfortunately, most of the records of the Japanese military and naval post offices in Portuguese Timor were destroyed, accidentally or intentionally during or just after the war.

Letters of inquiry I have sent to Portuguese doctors, lawyers and businessmen now living in Dili, who lived in Dili before the war and who presumably were in Dili throughout the Japanese Occupation have one thing in common with letters I have sent to the Chief of the Division of Posts and Telegraph, Government of Portuguese Timor, in Dili and to other colonial officials in Portuguese Timor: no responses of any kind were received!

Detailed examinations of Japanese, Dutch and Australian accounts of military operations on the island, notably those of Lt. Col. Noborizaka Susumu and of Col. Oda Akimitsu and confirmed by Maj. Gen. Takashima and Lt. Col. Yamashita, both staff officers of Military Operations, have thrown no light on the mystery.

The Australian Independent Companies who engaged in guerrilla warfare with the Japanese after Japanese control of the island have no information (some what naturally) on the subject. The archives of the Australian War Memorial and of the Historical Division of the U. S. Army are barren of information on the subject.

Mr. Felix also has sent out scores of letters without solving the mystery. In summary, no information of a specific nature has been secured on the actual operation of the civilian post office in Portuguese Timor during the period of Japanese occupation.

A possible clue has been provided by Robert M. Spaulding, Jr. who reports upon the subject of Portuguese neutrality at the time Japan had decided to invade Portuguese as well as Dutch Timor even though Japan had no plans for declaring war on Portugal. Mr. Spaulding writes:

"However, there was a violent dispute within the Japanese high command over the course of action to be followed once Timor had been conquered. Army General Tojo Hideki, then Prime Minister of Japan, declared at a January

28, 1942 conference in Tokyo that Japanese forces should withdraw from Portuguese Timor once the island had been wrested from Allied control, unless, of course, Portugal should enter the war on the side of the Allies.

"The Japanese Navy, however, wanted to retain all of Timor in order to facilitate future operations against Darwin. At the January 28 meeting, Admiral Nagano Osamu, Chief of the Imperial Naval Staff, insisted that the decision to withdraw from Portuguese Timor must depend not only on Portuguese neutrality but also on 'other circumstances prevailing at the time'—a phrase which was obviously intended to leave the Navy complete freedom of choice.

"Tojo apparently threatened to submit the dispute to the Emperor for decision, but evidently this was not done. At a further conference on February 2, the dispute continued, but was finally resolved on terms which represented in essence a victory for Admiral Nagano. It was agreed that Japanese forces would withdraw from Portuguese territory if Portugal maintained its neutrality after the invasion, but that Japanese forces 'would continue to occupy the entire island as a military base if over-all military conditions made such a withdrawal inadvisable.'"

Portugal did remain neutral, despite Japanese occupation of Portuguese Timor. Mr. Spaulding continues:

"The other Portuguese possession in the area overrun by Japan, Macao, was apparently never occupied by Japanese forces, although it is evident that Portuguese authorities in Macao cooperated with Japanese authorities in nearby Hong Kong and surrounding parts of Japanese occupied China.

"Postal service between Macao and Japanese occupied territory (especially Hong Kong) seems to have continued without interruption throughout the war, using the normal Portuguese Macao stamps. Whether there was any kind of agreement, tacit or otherwise, between Japan and Portugal over Portuguese Timor, as there was with Vichy France over French Indo China, is not known to me.

"The situation seems somewhat comparable, since Japan

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Although Mr. Haverbeck can not attend the meeting personally the stamps will be ably discussed by Mr. Hals, vice president of the France and Colonies Group. All interested in seeing this unusual showing are invited to attend.

was technically not at war with Vichy France and regarded that regime as a kind of ally."

As to the stamps Mr. Spaulding saw a decade ago: forged anchor overprints do, of course, exist, and it is well established that such an overprint was applied in Tokyo, after World War II, to Australian New Guinea stamps.

Whether or not the Portuguese Timor stamps I saw fall in this category, or are genuine but unrecorded issues, is an unresolved question. It should be noted that the stamps could be genuine even if the overprint were unlike other anchor overprints in some detail, since many different anchor overprints were used.

It is requested that anyone—even a single individual—having exact knowledge of philatelic matters in Portuguese Timor during Japanese occupation communicate with the writer. Then, it is hoped that again "Never (would be) so much owed by so many to so few."



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Hiroshi Komda

One of the most popular topical collections of Japan is New Year's stamps. Japan in the past has issued many series devoted to different topics are quite popular. For example there have been issued sets for Philatelic Week, National Parks, National Treasures, Tourists, and Earthquake victims, to name a few.

The Japanese, like most of the world's people, like to celebrate and send greetings on New Years. This is one of the biggest national holidays for them.

In time the postal authorities decided that some form of a New Year's greeting should be issued. So on December 1, 1935 the first stamp of the series appeared, with a special cancellation.

Two more were issued prior to World War II. These adhesives were to be sold before the New Year holiday and used on printed New Year's greeting cards. Facilities were provided at the Post Office for a special cancellation.

After the war, in December 1949, the Japanese government issued a New Year's post card, the first of what has become an annual issue. Thus the reason behind the New Year stamps was no longer present, but the public continued to accept the stamps issued at this time as intended for the same use even though they were no longer called New Year stamps by the government.

The New Year souvenir sheets of 1949 and the following years were not sold to the public through Post Offices, but were distributed through a national lottery with numbers printed on the government-issued New Year's cards. These souvenir sheets can also be used for postage since the Ministry approves them as postal revenue.

The stamp numbers used in this article are those in the "Specialized Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of Japan", English Edition, 1955, compiled by Robert M. Spaulding, Jr., and "Japanese Postage Stamps" by Yokichi Yamamoto, prepared for the Japan Travel Bureau. By this numbering it is easy to identify the stamps and avoid mistaking them for other commemoratives.

NY1 (Scott No. 222) was issued December 1, 1935 with a design of Mt. Fuji in the center and a frame border of pine, bamboo, and plum (SHO-CHIKU-BAI) meaning longevity or good fortune. This item was also issued for the mandated islands of Marshall, Mariana and Caroline on November 15, 1935.

The color is rose carmine with a value of 1½ sen. It was printed by typography on white wove paper, unwatermarked. Regular sheets come in 100 (10x10) and the souvenir sheet in 20 (4x5). There were two types of these, one with the top margin written in Kanji "Showa 11 year (1936) New Year's Greeting Postal Service Stamp" and the other with title on the right marginal border.

This latter sheet I haven't seen, but others have reported that they know it is in existence. The sheet has the imprint below position 18-19 reading "Produced by Cabinet Printing Bureau", while the regular sheet, below stamps 97-99 on the right lower corner, has "Produced by Great Japanese Government Cabinet Printing Bureau".

The New Year cancellation is a special type, rectangular in shape, measuring approximately 22 x 17 mm, with a flying crane bearing pine branches in its beak. These are canceled on the stamps, and the usual date and city name are used elsewhere.

Col. W. F. Bowers, in his articles on Japanese postmarks, mentions a circle cancellation like the usual cancel with the name of the city and picturing the flying crane with clouds, but with no pine sprigs in its beak.

He also explains that there is a hand canceled "TE" written in Katakana which means "post office". "TE" is the first syllable in "Teishin Sho" (Communication Ministry). (See Volume XIII No. 3, May 1958 of "Japanese Philately", "The Japanese Postal Emblem".)

This was due to the large volume of mail with but one canceling machine. So canceling the mail became a "family project" in the small community where the lone machine could not complete the work in time.

NY2 (Scott No. 234)—The design is the "Wedded Rocks" of Futami-Ga-Ura near the Daijingu shrine of Ise. The scene suggests the dawn of the year. The stamp is printed in photogravure and is the first to be so printed in Japan.

Sheets are of 100 (10x10), 1½s. in value; color, carmine rose. The imprint reads "Produced by Cabinet Printing Bureau." Perforation is 13x13½; paper, ordinary white watermarked with parallel zigzag lines. This was issued December 10, 1936.

The cancellation used is the same size rectangular shape as the NY1 cancel. Within its border is the orange at the top with two branches of pine, one on each side. Inside the pine, hanging down, is the cut-paper; in the middle is the straw.

This type of decoration is usually hung at the entrance of a house to keep evil spirits away.

NY3 (Scott No. 256)—This stamp, bright red or scarlet, was issued December 15, 1937 with a value of 2s. It was intended as a regular stamp, but the people used it for New Year and the government had a special cancellation made.

This adhesive is printed in photogravure on unwatermarked ordinary paper, in sheets of 100 (10x10) with a perforation of 13x13½. The imprint reads "Produced by Cabinet Printing Bureau".

The cancellation is rectangular again, featuring a typical Shinto altar. The unpainted wooden offering table bears two pounded and dried rice cakes called "mochi", with an orange placed on top. Two pine sprigs or branches are placed in front of this "mochi". These details I can remember from my own childhood, but did not know the meaning of it. "Mochi" in the Shinto offering is an expression of thanks to God for an abundant rice harvest.

NY4 (Scott No. 424)—On December 13, 1948 a 2 yen scarlet stamp was issued for use on New Year's postcards and letters. The design is a child playing "Hane-tsuki" with a battledore and shuttlecock. The imprint reads "Produced by Printing Bureau", below stamp No. 49. This is in sheets of 50 (5x10) printed on ordinary white paper, unwatermarked, by photogravure. The perforation is 13x13½. No special cancellation was used.

In 1950 the Postal Ministry printed a postcard for New Year's use.

On this card is a number, and it is sometimes called a lottery New Year's card. This is bought for 2y. plus 1y., the 1y. going to a charitable organization. The person whose number was drawn could go to the post office and claim the souvenir sheet as a prize. The last day to claim it is around the middle of July. On the souvenir sheet is written the "showa": "year 19— New Year's Gift Postage Stamps" with plate imprint. Souvenir sheets usually have four stamps and may be used as postage.

At present (1958) there is a total of thirteen in this series, some depicting the signs of the zodiac year, for example, 1950, "Tiger"; 1951, "Rabbit". Other years feature toys. For cancellations the usual city and date cancels were used or a scenic cancel or one with the stamp design may be employed.

For further information and interesting reading the following titles are recommended:

1. "Specialized Catalogue of the Postage Stamps of Japan, English Edition, 1955", Robert M. Spaulding, Jr.
2. "Japanese Philately", International Society for Japanese Philately, Editor, Robert M. Spaulding, Jr. for the past several years; now George A. Fisher, Jr.
3. "Postal Bell", Japanese-American Philatelic Society. Editor Tad Fujita.
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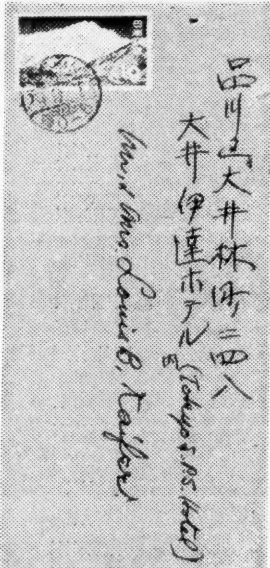
Three Hours In Tokyo

Louis B. Kaifer

While traveling in Japan four years ago, Tokyo occupied considerable of my time. And no part of it was of greater pleasure or profit than the three hours' visit to the Tokyo Central Post Office. Arriving in the hot, humid days of August, I soon learned that this was no time to buy stamps. The few U. S. adhesives I had for postage were stuck in the glassine pocket file. In the post office, my only purpose was to purchase a few stamps for Japanese correspondence and to ascertain the rates of postage.

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I supplemented my order with requests for wholesale quantities of the National Parks stamps and one each of the ten souvenir sheets on sale. As an after thought, I mentioned that I would like to visit the post office while the stamps were being assembled.

Mr. Ban is a very busy man, nevertheless he agreed to guide me through the Tokyo Central Post Office, one of the world's largest in now, the third largest city in the world. Our first stop was to the fourth floor office of the postmaster general and his assistants. This was the room in which Mr. Ban had been in conference.

It was explained, that due to my being a retired post office employee of long service in the United States,

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Entirely in Danish, and requiring some knowledge of the language to permit understanding the data, it is still an attractive volume to the student of the issues of that Scandinavian country. It is priced at 22 Kroner in paper binding, 26Kr. cloth, from the publishers, Aarhus Frimaerkehandel, Bruunsgade 33, Aarhus, Denmark.

The firm also offers a regional Scandinavian catalog of 144 pages and over 1000 illustrations at 4.50Kr., and various other special listings at from 2Kr. upward. Interested collectors may write the company for full details of its offers. Remittances may be made by international money order, or cash via registered mail. The Danish Kroner is 15c U. S.

THREE HOURS (Continued from page 12)

As usual the utmost courtesy was accorded me.

The next two or three hours were very interesting and informative. Over 10,000 workers are employed, many of them young men of apparently college age. Considerable mechanization is evident, especially in the use of conveyers and elevators. Similar methods of mail distribution and dispatching are used as is common in America.

One is impressed with the rapidity and efficiency of the many mail distributors. In the use of their hands, the Japanese particularly excel. This is just as true, it seems, in the handling of mail as in the amazing handiwork of the many arts and crafts.

I was especially interested in the dispatching of letters in the international mail section. Here is one important exception from American methods; it must be because it is Japanese. Envelopes addressed in English language are cased in the same way as one addressed in Japanese.

To understand this, one must know that books are read from the very last page from right vertically to left and that for them the end is only the beginning for us as English readers. This is offered in explanation only.

For instance, a long rectangular envelope is addressed in Japanese characters in a vertical style right to left with the stamp affixed on the left at the top of the narrow side of the envelope, as illustrated. Letters cased are thrust forward as the addresses are read forward from top to bottom.

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The address is quickly read as the envelope is handled and thrust forward.

All envelopes needing further clarification and postage due rating are taken to the desk of the directory clerk. This position is ably filled by one of the post office's most experienced employees, a gentleman with over 40 years' service.

Efficiency was attested to by the very small number of letters on hand, three in fact, to be corrected. Mr. Ban, who himself has been a post office worker for 37 years, proudly mentioned that he had at one time occupied this desk.

The post office is less than a block from the Tokyo Central Railway Station. One of the innovations is the subway which connects by electric trucks the post office and the station.

Observing that the post office is of old construction, in marked contrast to the many fine, modern buildings in new Tokyo, I asked my guide if the building had been bombed. His reply was, "No, it wasn't bombed."

This is all the more surprising when we know that Tokyo was more than 50 per cent destroyed in War II and by the close proximity of the huge building to the vital transportation system in Tokyo.

Returning to Mr. Ban's office, we picked up our completed requisition of stamps. Next came my inquiry for first day covers. Although I had seen the stamp store near an entrance in the lobby, I had merely thought of it as a concession, privately operated.

Such is not the case, however. Mr. Ban insisted on accompanying me to this store so that my wishes could be properly interpreted. I asked for one of each of every first day cover on sale. This consignment consisted of 31 covers, very attractively cacheted in actual color, with scenery or pictorial postmarks in brown color carefully handstamped on one corner of the stamp.

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Covers obtained ranged from July 9, 1951, Mori Ogai, Scott's No. 489 to October 13, 1954 bearing two stamps commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Japan's Accession to the International Telecommunication Union.

Airmail covers were Nos C30 and C39. In addition to covers, attractively displayed sets of new issues of Japan and foreign countries are on sale as well as various philatelic supplies. Profits accrue to the benefit of the Mutual Aid to Postal Employees' Association.

Upon my return home, it was a great pleasure to examine the many beautiful stamps I had purchased in Japan. The earliest is No. 404, the 50 sen dark brown of 1948 although this is listed in the Agency pamphlet as issued April 15, 1946 (No. 358, imperf).

A full 122 varieties further on we come to the National Philatelic Week panes previously mentioned and three of the four Buddha at Kamakura airmails. It is regretted that several of the National Park series are missing or incomplete; especially are the lower values out of stock. The attractive Men-of-Culture series of 18 stamps is complete.

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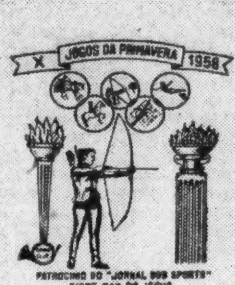
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Mint Used	Mint Used	Mint Used	Mint Used
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10N46 .10	243 .32	36 .30	36 .30
10N47/5 .38	244/50 .65	37 .28	37 .28
10N48/10 .39	255/57 .28	38 .18	38 .18
10N49 .35	259/64 .75	39 .16	39 .16
40/50 .39	265/70 .70	40 .15	40 .15
51/52 .39	272/77 .80	41 .15	41 .15
53 .45	278/79 .25	42 .15	42 .15
54/57A .75	280/83 .45	43 .15	43 .15
55/57 .95	284/85 .25	44 .15	44 .15
56/57 .95	286/87 .09	45 .15	45 .15
58/59 .48	288 .25	46 .15	46 .15
70 .15	291/93 .55	47 .15	47 .15
71/74 .48	295/96 .75	48 .15	48 .15
76/77 .48	297/300 .45	49 .15	49 .15
78/79 .55	300/04 .28	50 .15	50 .15
80/81 .10	307/08 .10	51 .15	51 .15
82/84 .22	309/10 .10	52 .15	52 .15
85/88 .12	311/13 .19	53 .15	53 .15
89 .13	314/16 .32	54 .15	54 .15
90 .13	317/22 .65	55 .15	55 .15
91 .13	323/24 .08	56 .15	56 .15
92/93 .39	325/27 .32	57 .15	57 .15
94/95 .39	328/29 .26	58 .15	58 .15
96/97 .13	330/38 .15	59 .15	59 .15
100/02 .23	343/44 .46	60 .15	60 .15
108/09 .22	347/49 .10	61 .15	61 .15
110/12 .17	350/51 .08	62 .15	62 .15
113/15 .60	352/54 .28	63 .15	63 .15
116 .18	355/60 .80	64 .15	64 .15
117 .30	361/63 .12	65 .15	65 .15
118/19 .15	364/66 .12	66 .15	66 .15
120/21 .55	367/68 .22	67 .15	67 .15
137/46 .55	370/72 .45	68 .15	68 .15
148/50 .22	373/74 .11	69 .15	69 .15
151/54 .15	376/76 .23	70 .15	70 .15
155/71 .10	377/78 .10	71 .15	71 .15
172/73 .18	379/80 .22	72 .15	72 .15
174/75 .15	381/83 .25	73 .15	73 .15
176/79 .29	383/84 .25	74 .15	74 .15
180/85 .50	385/87 .30	75 .15	75 .15
186 .00	388/89 .15	76 .15	76 .15
187/204 .90	391/92 .15	77 .15	77 .15
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212 .12	397/98 .35	79 .15	79 .15
214/15 .12	401/3 .00	80 .15	80 .15
216/23 .33	404/5 .40	81 .15	81 .15
226 .08	406/8 .50	82 .15	82 .15
226A .45	410/3 .50	83 .15	83 .15
227/30 .09	414/5 .30	84 .15	84 .15
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The Philatelic Press Of Japan

There are several philatelic publications in Japan of value to Japanese specialists interested in current or past writings in the field of Japanese Philately. Amongst the vast number of publications, the following notes are submitted with respect to but a few of the more important titles.

Kitte Shumi (formerly **Kitte Bunka**)—This is the oldest and best known of the Japanese philatelic publications. Founded in January 1930 by the late Yoshida Ichiro (once "honorary president" of the International Society for Japanese Philately), it is actually a continuance of an even earlier house organ of the Yoshida firm, titled "Sutampu Korekuta" ("Stamp Collector"), first published in June 1922.

It has appeared continuously since 1930 except for war-caused suspensions in 1944-46 and 1948-1951. Outstanding are its articles on Japanese philately and on topical collecting. Some of its series on the latter have been running for years under the same by-lines.

Currently edited by ISJP director Yoshida Riichi, son of Yoshida Ichiro, it is published monthly by Kitte Bunka Kai, 3,360 Mejiro, Toshima-Ku, Tokyo, Japan.

Kitte Kenkyu ("Stamp Research")—the monthly organ of a specialist society for philatelic research, organized in Tokyo in October 1950 under the name "Institute of Philately, Japan". Membership is composed of outstanding Japanese specialist in various fields, but the magazine has tended to concentrate on foreign stamps, especially European.

Actually, Kitte Kenkyu harks back to the "Japanese Postage Stamp Assn." which was founded in 1936 by the Ministry of Communications of Japan. That Society was formed to promote philately all over Japan, to publish the monthly **Yubin Kitte** and to sell new issues of Japanese stamps. The president was Takaharu Mitsui (then "Baron Mitsui") who is the honorary counselor of the International Society for Japanese Philately. The chief director was the Vice-Minister of Posts.

The society continued its activities during World War II, but after the war was dissolved because it could not continue upon the basis of membership fees alone. President Takaharu Mitsui proposed that the government establish a real philatelic agency, bear the cost of its operation, and more actively engage in the sale of postage stamps.

Following the establishment of the Philatelic Agency, the Japanese Postage Stamp Assn. was dissolved. Those philatelists, however, who wanted to continue publication of a monthly philatelic journal, and who wanted no part of governmental support or supervision, founded the **Kitte Kenkyu Kai**.

Mishima Yoshitsugu (an ISJP director), Dr. Ogura Yuzuru and Kojima Yunosuke helped Mr. Mitsui and in July 1950, the **Kitte Kenkyu Kai** was founded. Since October of that year it has also been under the English title of **The Institute of Philately, Japan**. It publishes not only monthly bulletins but special editions and books as well.

President Mitsui is also a member of the expert committee of the Ministry of Posts, a special member of the section of postal history of the Ministry of Posts, and a lecturer at the post school.

The **Kitte Kenkyu** from April 1958 began publishing, with color page illustrations, an account of stamp forgeries from Mr. Kojima's collection. Explanatory notes are by President Mitsui. 6,630 Araiuku, Ota-Ku, Tokyo.

Keshi-In To Entaiva ("Cancellations and Covers") is edited and published by Dr. Choichi Nakagawa (ISJP member) as a labor of love. It is one of the world's outstanding specialist magazines, despite its very small circulation. Mimeographed from hand written stencils, but of very high-quality reproduction, it is copiously illustrated with incredibly painstaking line drawings. These show details with vastly greater clarity than would photo-

graphs. Highly specialized in the fields of postal markings, postal stationery, and covers, much of its content is too highly specialized to permit simple description. Publication began in 1947; the address is 296 Kakegawa-shi, Shizuoka-Ken, Japan.

Kyoto Sun-Yo, the second oldest and one of the most popular of the Japanese magazines, was first published in 1936, and issued continuously since then. Some of the 1945 issues actually appeared later than the date they bear—that is, skipped issues were eventually replaced, when printing was resumed after war caused suspension.

Presently published three times a month, it is the only Japanese philatelic publication to appear so often, and thus has a special reputation for early reporting of news.

It publishes relatively few articles of length comparable to the monthlies, but is a valuable reference work for checking dates and details of new issues of Japan. Shimo Kajima, Taka-tori machi, Taka-ichi-gun, Nara Prefecture, Japan.

Yushu, published monthly since Sept. 1946 (with several lapses) by Meiso Mizuhara (Hisoka Ochiai), appears in the name of the "Japan Philatelic Society". Though its editor has become one of the most criticized and controversial figures in Japanese philately, and though the magazine has been criticized for publishing irresponsible or "provocative" material, it has neverthe-

less contained some interesting material of permanent value. In any event, it is presently one of the best known Japanese magazines. Address: Box 1, Shinjuku, Tokyo, Japan.

Kansai Yushu is the monthly organ of the Kansai Philatelic League, a federation of philatelic societies in western Japan. It began publication in June 1949 and despite its youth, has acquired something of a reputation for publishing articles of permanent value. Address: Kansai Yushu Remmei, Osaka Yusei Kyokai, 6-chome, Nakanoshima, Kita-Ku, Osaka.

Tokai Yushu, monthly organ of Council, was first published in November 1949. Like **Kitte Shumi** (and occasionally **Yushu**), it carries a page in English.

Although containing occasional articles of importance, it has specialized in new issue reports and articles for beginners; thus it is of less permanent importance than some of the other magazines. Address: Tokai Area Philatelic Council, Nagoya Postal Services Bureau, Nagoya, Japan.

Yubin ("Posts") is published by the Japan Postal Culture Assn., Postal Services Ministry, Asabu, Tokyo under the editorial supervision of the Postal Affairs Bureau

of the Ministry. Although not a philatelic magazine in the strictest sense of the word, this well-illustrated monthly contains detailed articles about the subjects appearing on new Japanese stamps and about other topics on foreign stamps. This makes it of unusual value to the collector of new Japanese issues and topical stamps.

Each issue contains a four-page section of photographic illustrations related to the newest Japanese issue. There is a companion publication by the JPCA in English, "JAPAN & STAMPS", which although magnificently illustrated, is less thorough in coverage than the Japanese edition.

Except for "Japan & Stamps", all magazines referred to are in the Japanese language. This account has been drawn in large measure from the accounts written by Robert M. Spaulding, Jr. in the 1952 issues of Japanese Philately. There have been some changes since that time, but they are relatively minor in nature. A large number of other philatelic publications is appearing regularly or otherwise in Japan, but this glimpse should be sufficient to indicate that there is no dearth of philatelic literary activity in the country itself.

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260	.74	.14	B109-110	.21	.29
261	.11	.13	B111-113	.20	.21
262	.11	.13	B114-116	.32	.44
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ISJP Undertakes Gigantic Project

How many perforation variations exist within the various issues of Japan? This question was posed by Robert M. Spaulding, Jr. in the September 1957 issue of "Japanese Philately", magazine of the International Society for Japanese Philately, in an article entitled "A Proposal for Collective Action".

The answer to the question is, of course, hundreds. The verification of these varieties is a time-consuming job, but a project in which all Japanese specialists can participate, regardless of their levels of specialization.

One can even be a rank beginner and contribute as much as the experienced collector. All one needs to know is how to recognize Japanese stamps and how to use a perforation gauge.

Everything from visual verification to hearsay has been the source of information on the legion of perforation varieties of Japanese stamps. Some of these varieties may well be extremely scarce, while others are as common as 3c Liberties.

The only sensible approach to the problem has been to meet it head-on—that is, to actually measure each variety. To this end, a number of ISJP members volunteered to assist in the project. Chairman of the Central Checking Group and overall coordinator of the project is Maj. Fred H. Campbell, Hdq. Co., Hdq. Bn., Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C. The chairmen and members of the regional checking groups are as follows:

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The project is so organized that the central checking group finally verifies varieties certified to it by regional checking groups and makes a final determination as to the measurement of the perforations of a stamp submitted to it. In their work, project members take nothing for granted. A fresh approach is the order of the day.

There is still ample opportunity for everyone to work. The project, according to Maj. Campbell, "Can never be too large."

As may be readily apparent, the membership of the International Society for Japanese Philately represents more than a subscription to a magazine. ISJP is a study group as well, and all of its members contribute to the advancement of Japanese philately and share their findings among themselves. It is a unique fellowship.

Liberia Reissues Six 1948-50 Presidentials

The Post Office Department of the Republic of Liberia has announced that on August 1 six values of the 1948-50 Presidential set were reissued in new colors.

The new arrivals are 1c carmine and black, 2c yellow and black, 10c blue gray and black, 20c maroon and black, 25c blue and black, and 25c airmail green and black.

Juneau Stamp Club Finds Job A-Waiting

Members of the Gastineau Stamp Club, Juneau, Alaska, returned from its summer recess to find a ready-made job that is going to take a lot of attention. Entirely without any effort on their part, the Alaska collectors have found themselves right in the position which many clubs have sought in the past.

With Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield announcing recently that a 7c Alaska Statehood commem will be issued soon—possibly in December—the Gastineau group is right on the ground floor of what may be the biggest first day event of many years.

Club president Jerry Couzin has appointed a committee to look into the details of sponsoring a cachet and servicing first day covers. Both he and the committee ask the advice of other groups which have conducted such operations in the past, and suggest that any advice any such experienced organization may supply them will be very much appreciated. Full details of the entire plan will be announced as far in advance of the first day of sale as possible.

Cooperative clubs and individuals may address the Gastineau Stamp Club at 104 Front St., Juneau, Alaska. Airmail at the domestic 7c per ounce is recommended, due to distance and time elements.

San Lorenzo Exhibition And Bourse November 9

The San Lorenzo Valley Stamp Club will hold its second stamp exhibit of the year on Sunday, November 9 in the Odd Fellows Hall in Boulder Creek, Calif. It will be open from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. Admission will be free, and door prizes will be distributed.

Fifty frames of stamps from members' collections will compete for ribbons. Other items of philatelic interest will be displayed and stamp bourse will be held. All interested in the hobby of stamp collecting are cordially invited and will be most welcome.

Precancel Groups Offer Album Pages

The National Assn. of Precancel Collectors, jointly with the Precancel Institute, has published three album page sets for their members. The sets are for Alaska, Delaware, and Nevada.

Each contains all the data on each state, all the towns authorized to issue precanceled stamps; all the types appearing from these towns, and all the Bureau Types (produced in Washington, D.C.) for them. Many are illustrated exact size for easier mounting of the stamps in their proper spaces.

Further information about the new pages, as well as details about membership in the NAPC, is available from Glenn W. Dye, 5200 Arctic Ave. Wildwood, N.J. on request. Dues in the National Assn. of Precancel Collectors are only \$2 a year. There are no initiation fees.

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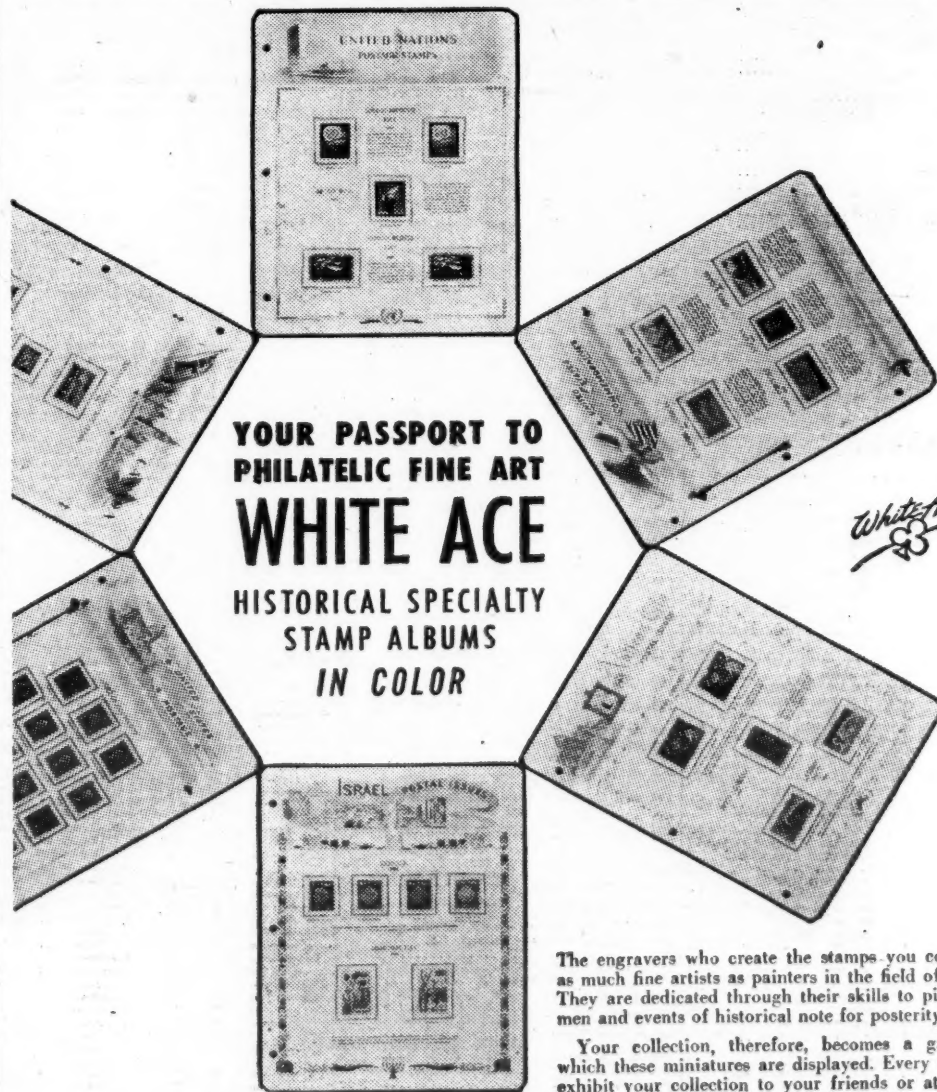


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83 ☒ #261A 1c black Type II Cent. to T, F. 40.00

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85 ☒ #287, 288 4c, 5c Trans-Miss. F-VF. 5.25

86 ☒ #288 (3) 5c Trans-Miss. F-VF 7.50

87 ☒ #289 8c Trans-Miss. F-VF 9.00

88 ☒ #289 8c Trans-Miss. F-VF 9.00

89 ☒ #289 8c Trans-Miss. F-VF 9.00

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98 ☒ #289 8c Trans-Miss. F-VF 9.00

99 ☒ #289 8c Trans-Miss. F-VF 9.00

100 ☒ #289 8c Trans-Miss. F-VF 9.00

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89 ☒ #201 50c Trans-Miss. Sl. thin VG. 12.50

90 ☒ #294-99 1 set Pan-American VG-F. 14.50

91 ☒ #300-311 1c to 10c VG-F. 10.70

92 ☒ #303, 334, 337, 425, 463 5 different OG F-VF. 5.60

93 ☒ #308 Bk of 4 Cent. to L, NH OG F. 12.50

94 ☒ #311 heavy cancl. VG. 4.50

95 ☒ #312 5c dark blue OG Sl. thin F. 65.00

96 ☒ #323 Bk of 4, NH OG F. 16.00

97 ☒ #323-327 1 set Louisiana F. 17.80

98 ☒ #324 Bk of 4 NH OG VF. 15.00

99 ☒ #325 Sl. closed tear OG F. 9.50

100 ☒ OG F PL #2103. 8.50

101 ☒ #326 OG F. 9.50

102 ☒ #326 OG VG-F. 9.50

103 ☒ #326 Partly OG VG. 9.50

104 ☒ #326 Partly OG VG. 9.50

105 ☒ #327 VG-F. 25.00

106 ☒ #327 Cent. to B OG F. 25.00

107 ☒ #327 NH OG F-VF. 25.00

108 ☒ #330 5c Jamestown NH OG F. 10.00

109 ☒ #330 5c Jamestown NH OG F. 10.00

110 ☒ #334, 336 (1 Pair each), Sl. thin OG VG. 9.50

111 ☒ #340 with Sheet Margin & Pl. 2 OG VF. 3.50+

112 ☒ #349 Strip of 3 OG NH F. 10.50

113 ☒ #354 1 Pair Coils, OG NH F. 16.00

114 ☒ #368 Imp. OG NH VF. 5.50

115 ☒ #368 Imp. OG Hinged VG-F. 5.50

116 ☒ #368 Strip of 4 OG F. 4.00

117 ☒ #370 1 Block of 6, well centered OG VG. 6.00

118 ☒ #371 OG Imperf. Sl. crease at B Fine. 7.00

119 ☒ #373 Vert. Guide Line Bk of 4 OG VF. 27.50

120 ☒ #373 1 single, Imp. OG NH VF. 6.50

121 ☒ #374 2 strips of 3, with Imprints & Pl. 2 OG NH F. 12.00

122 ☒ #374 3 strip of 3 with Imprints & Pl. 2 OG NH F. 17.00

123 ☒ #382 1 Bk of 4 Cent. to B, Top row cut in, B perfs just clear OG. 45.00

124 ☒ #383 Margin Arrow Bk Imp. OG NH VF. 4.00

125 ☒ #386 Strip of 3, but close at Right, OG NH F. 8.25

126 ☒ #388 2c Coil perf 12 Vert. perfs just clear design, signed OG NH F. 40.00

127 ☒ #388 1 pair, 2c coil perf 12 Vert. OG NH VF. 80.00

128 ☒ #388 2c Coil perf 12 Vert. (2 copies) VG-F. 22.00

129 ☒ #398 1 Bk of 4 almost centered OG Fine. 14.50

130 ☒ #400 OG F (hinge attached) 15.50

131 ☒ #400 Sl. thin no gum VG 13.50

132 ☒ #400 Well Cent. Bk of 4 (Idaho Falls) cancl. VG. 20.00

133 ☒ #401 perf 10 (slightly off Center) OG F. 12.00

134 ☒ #401 perf 10 (slightly off Center) OG F. 12.00

135 ☒ #408 Type III, 1 Pr. with Pl. 5878, Auto Vending OG F-VF. 7.50

136 ☒ #408 Centered Bk of 4, Imp. OG NH VF. 5.00

137 ☒ #408 1 Cl. line Bk & 3 Arrow Bks. Imp. OG F-VF. 9.50

138 ☒ #408 2 Marg. Bk of 6, 1 Marg. Bk of 4, Pl. 2, 1 Arrow Bk. 7.00

139 ☒ #409 Type I (3 Arrow Bks) 1 CL Bk, Sl. thin, OG F-VF. 18.00

140 ☒ #409 1 C. Line Bk & 4 Arrow Bks. Imp. OG F-VF. 21.00

141 ☒ #444 Strip of 3, Coil OG VF NH. 15.00

142 ☒ #446 (4c perf 10 Vert. Coils, Guide Line Pair, Sl. thin in UR corner OG F. 30.00

143 ☒ #460 \$1.00 perf. 10, Sl. thin spot F. 8.00

144 ☒ #460 \$1.00, 1 Pair Fine (Vert. Pair). 16.00

145 ☒ #460 1c Horiz. pair, 16.00

146 ☒ #461 SE on R, OG NH F-VF. 16.00

147 ☒ #461 OG NH F. 6.50

148 ☒ #464 OG NH F. 27.50

149 ☒ #464 1 Bk of 4, OG NH F. 27.50

150 ☒ #479, 480 (Both Cent. to L) Very Good. 10.50

151 ☒ #481 Cent. line Bk of 4, Imp. OG VF. 6.00

152 ☒ #482 Centerline Bk of 4, Imp. OG NH Superb. 10.00

153 ☒ #482 2 Arrow & 2 Guide line Bks Fine. 8.10+

154 ☒ #483 on Registered cover 1 Bk of 4, OG F. 8.00

155 ☒ #491 Type II (1 Pair Coils) signed OG Fine. 100.00

156 ☒ #510 1 Bk of 6 with Pl. 13503, OG F-VF. 5.50

157 ☒ #523 (62.00) F. 27.50

158 ☒ #548-550 3c Pilgrims OG NH VG. 7.50

159 ☒ #548-550 Bks of 4 OG F-VF 1c, 5c, Sl. off Cent. 37.75

160 ☒ #550 on Natl. Phila. Exhibition cover, Sep. 15, 1931 Cancl. 6.00

161 ☒ #567, 570, (567, SE, 570 Sl. thin on side Fine App. 4.85

162 ☒ #568 1 Bk of 4, OG Fine. 6.00

163 ☒ #571 1 Bk of 4 OG NH F-VF. 14.00

164 ☒ #573 1 Bk of 4, OG F. 20.00

165 ☒ #573 (perforated initials) Centerline Bk fine centering VG. 20.00

166 ☒ #575 Bk of 4, perfs touch design at Bottom F. 8.00

167 ☒ #578

Lot #	Description	Cat. Val.	Lot #	Description	Cat. Val.	Lot #	Description	Cat. Val.	Lot #	Description	Cat. Val.
506	#61. 64, 66, 68, 80, 81, 84, 86, 87 VG-F	19.25	619	#C54, C56 1 Blk of 6 stamps each	7.80	725	Axis Semi Postals (95 Var.) OG	10.12	830	LIBERIA #2 OG	8.00
507	#89, 90-100, 102-105 Good	13.77	619A	#M1-20 OG VF	32.80	726	Axis Semi Postals in pairs (95 Var.) 2 sets OG NH	20.24	831	#3 thin spot OG	8.00
508	#90A repaired punch initials	7.00	619B	#M21 OG VF	40.00	727	#B243 (106) B271 (20) no gum Fine	17.63	832	#182, 228, O132	6.95
509	#95, 96, 109, 120 (2) VG	15.25	620	#P6 Type II (1kr Lilac) no gum Fine	65.00	728	#C32, C37 Zepplin Cover, Round the world flight to Lakehurst (1929) VF	2.50	833	#102-113, (108, 111 have one perf miss.) OG F	13.17
510	#96, 104, 105, 107 F-VF	14.00	621	#27A Turkish Empire (50) sid Brown perf 12 VG-F	25.00	729	#C36 Zepp cover, LZ 127 (1927) Special flight Net E.	2.50	834	#131 8 copies NH OG F-VF	16.00
511	#107, O19, O20, O54, O60 (5 stamps) Fine	5.45	622	BELGIUM 1861 #12 (40c Carm. Rose) 3 fine Margins Top Cl. VG	8.50	730	#C38 Zepp cover, LZ 127 (1927) Special flight Net E.	2.50	835	#132 6 copies F	10.00
512	#124 repaired Sl. tear Very Good VF App. 22	22.50	623	#76-79 (2 sets used) B166-68, B189-96, 251-53, B256-63 6 sets F	9.43	731	#C39 C37 (1928) Spec. Flight LZ 127	3.50	836	#133 8 copies NH OG F-VF	16.00
513	#173, 173A, 174 #173 has Sl. Crease F-VF	8.50	624	#136 Sl. thin nice App.	7.50	732	#C38 (1929) Round the World to Tokyo Flight (Zepp) Net 3.50	3.50	837	#134 4 copies F	10.00
514	#179 (6), 180 (1), 229 (20) F-VF	15.25	625	#172-184 (#182 Missing) OG F	8.10	733	#C44 (2m) OG NH F-VF	5.00	838	#135 4 copies F	10.00
515	#230 10 copies F-VF	9.00	626	#214-215, B232 OG F-VF	9.25	734	BADEN #21 Ironed out crease VF App.	15.00	839	#136 4 copies F	10.00
516	#286-89 (3 sets) F-VF	10.00	627	Sanabria #501-505 Semi Officials 5 Val. Sl. Gum, crease OG F-VF	50.00	735	BREMEN #7 (10 Gr. 1861 issue, rounded Corner G	100.00	840	#137 4 copies F	10.00
517	#289 5 copies F-VF	10.00	628	#B1-24 OG F-VF	14.60	736	BRENSICK #23-26, #23 repaired VG-F	36.00	841	#138 4 copies F	10.00
518	#289 5 copies F-VF	10.00	629	#B198 Souvenir Sheet	2.00	737	HAMBURG #27 Imperf VG-F	150.00	842	#139 4 copies F	10.00
519	ASCENSION #2, 3, 4, 6 (3 small crease) OG	8.85	630	#B214-220, B273-78 (2 sets mounted on black paper) OG F-VF	8.00	738	HANOVER #1 Fine	7.50	843	#140 4 copies F	10.00
520	#40, 41A, 42, 43, 44A, 44B, 45-49 OG NH F-VF	5.90	631	#B303 10 Souvenir Sheets OG NH F-VF	7.00	739	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	844	#141 4 copies F	10.00
521	BAHAMAS #38 OG NH F-VF	7.50	632	BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA #86-104 (5 used others mint)	13.16	740	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	845	#142 4 copies F	10.00
522	#85, 1 Blk of 4, 86 (3 cop) 87 1 Blk of 9	13.90	633	BOLIVIA #288, 289 (4 sheets Perf & Imperf) OG	7.70	741	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	846	#143 4 copies F	10.00
523	#87 1 Blk of 9 (2 copies in Blks & singles) OG F-VF	8.80	634	BRAZIL #3 Sl. thin Fine signed	150.00	742	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	847	#144 4 copies F	10.00
524	BARBADOS #37, Fancy Cancel, SE Very Good	11.00	635	#7-8 Red Canc. VG-F	8.00	743	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	848	#145 4 copies F	10.00
525	#116-124 OG F-VF	13.53	636	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	744	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	849	#146 4 copies F	10.00
526	#152-164 (2 sets) F-VF	21.41	637	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	745	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	850	#147 4 copies F	10.00
527	#152-159, 162, 163 (8 Var.) OG Fine	3.91	638	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	746	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	851	#148 4 copies F	10.00
528	#209 2 Blks of 9 (18 stamps) OG NH F-VF	14.00	639	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	747	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	852	#149 4 copies F	10.00
529	BERMUDA #49, 51, 61 OG F-VF	14.00	640	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	748	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	853	#150 4 copies F	10.00
530	#121 (11 copies) F-VF	22.00	641	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	749	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	854	#151 4 copies F	10.00
531	BRITISH GUIANA #151 Type I (Blks of 9) crease, F App. 67	6.50	642	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	750	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	855	#152 4 copies F	10.00
532	#178-190 (#187 Missing) OG F-VF	13.93	643	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	751	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	856	#153 4 copies F	10.00
533	#191-201 (2 copies Missing) #193 2 (#196) OG F-VF	16.92	644	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	752	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	857	#154 4 copies F	10.00
534	BRITISH SOLOMON ISLANDS #67-72, 75, all Blks of 4 OG F-VF	4.28	645	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	753	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	858	#155 4 copies F	10.00
535	#79 4 copies OG NH F-VF	12.00	646	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	754	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	859	#156 4 copies F	10.00
536	BRUNEI #96 1 pair, very lightly Canc. Sup.	65.00	647	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	755	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	860	#157 4 copies F	10.00
537	CANADA #39 Brown Red, 3 large margins VG	65.00	648	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	756	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	861	#158 4 copies F	10.00
538	#18 Cl. tear, does not show Very Good	7.00	649	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	757	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	862	#159 4 copies F	10.00
539	#28 47 (#28 repaired) 2 nice looking stamps	8.00	650	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	758	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	863	#160 4 copies F	10.00
540	#294 Well centered, Part OG Thin	22.50	651	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	759	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	864	#161 4 copies F	10.00
541	#103 Sl. thin UR corner well centered OG	8.00	652	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	760	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	865	#162 4 copies F	10.00
542	CEYLON #142, 160, OG F-VF	7.00	653	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	761	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	866	#163 4 copies F	10.00
543	CYPRUS #18, #26 Fine	6.50	654	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	762	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	867	#164 4 copies F	10.00
544	EAST AFRICA & UGANDA #50 1 pair, OG NH F-VF	9.00	655	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	763	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	868	#165 4 copies F	10.00
545	FIJI #76 1 Blk of 4, 2 singles OG NH F-VF	9.00	656	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	764	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	869	#166 4 copies F	10.00
546	#76 1 Blk of 6 OG NH F-VF	9.00	657	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	765	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	870	#167 4 copies F	10.00
547	GAMBIA #132-138 OG NH	2.54	658	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	766	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	871	#168 4 copies F	10.00
548	GIRKATA #13, 14 used, #10, #14, mint OG VG-F	7.50	659	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	767	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	872	#169 4 copies F	10.00
549	#91 Fine	8.10	660	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	768	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	873	#170 4 copies F	10.00
550	GOLD COAST #141 4 copies Very Fine	12.00	661	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	769	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	874	#171 4 copies F	10.00
551	GUINEA #2, 22, 32 (All with Sl. faults) #3 (2), 4 (3 stamps) VG	6.50	662	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	770	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	875	#172 4 copies F	10.00
552	#5 (2), 11 (both lightly used) OG	10.50	663	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	771	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	876	#173 4 copies F	10.00
553	#70 (6), 71 (11, 72 (4) Good to Very Good	24.25	664	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	772	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	877	#174 4 copies F	10.00
554	HONG KONG #168A 25 copies VG	25.00	665	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	773	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	878	#175 4 copies F	10.00
555	JAMAICA #1, #2, #1 SE at L, #2 SE at R	12.00	666	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	774	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	879	#176 4 copies F	10.00
556	#2, 4, 6 (2) Lot of 4 with defects) Good	16.50	667	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	775	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	880	#177 4 copies F	10.00
557	#14 (Sl. Fine mark on back) OG F-VF	11.00	668	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	776	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	881	#178 4 copies F	10.00
558	MAITA #8, 9, 11, 13 OG F	4.25	669	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	777	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	882	#179 4 copies F	10.00
559	#14 (Sl. Fine mark on back) OG F-VF	11.00	670	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	778	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	883	#180 4 copies F	10.00
560	#192A, 193A, 194A, 195A 196A, 197A, 198-203 OG F-VF	4.14	671	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	779	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	884	#181 4 copies F	10.00
561	#C1 Airmail OG Fine	4.00	672	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	780	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	885	#182 4 copies F	10.00
562	MONTERRAT #92-101 (2 sets) OG F-VF	9.54	673	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	781	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	886	#183 4 copies F	10.00
563	NEW BRUNSWICK (6 copies) Fine	12.50	674	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	782	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	887	#184 4 copies F	10.00
564	#10 (2 copies) 11 (1 copy) Fine	14.50	675	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	783	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	888	#185 4 copies F	10.00
565	NEWFOUNDLAND 17 stamps between #18 & #60 VG	48.67	676	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	784	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	889	#186 4 copies F	10.00
566	#32 1 tear on side nice App.	6.00	677	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	785	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	890	#187 4 copies F	10.00
567	#53 OG Sl. thin spot VG	20.00	678	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	786	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	891	#188 4 copies F	10.00
568	#145-159 OG F-VF	19.47	679	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	787	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	892	#189 4 copies F	10.00
569	NEW ZEALAND #165-170 (10 paper) F	7.80	680	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	788	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	893	#190 4 copies F	10.00
570	OG NH F-VF	8.75	681	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	789	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	894	#191 4 copies F	10.00
571	NIGERIA #64 1 Blk of 4 F	6.00	682	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	790	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	895	#192 4 copies F	10.00
572	NOVA SCOTIA #8, 11, 12 (3 Blks) OG NH F-VF	12.00	683	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	791	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	896	#193 4 copies F	10.00
573	#11A, 11B, 11C OG NH F-VF	4.00	684	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	792	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	897	#194 4 copies F	10.00
574	NYASALAND PROTECTORATE #54-64 OG NH F-VF	4.67	685	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	793	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	898	#195 4 copies F	10.00
575	#91-94 (2 sets in 1 p.) OG NH F-VF	7.70	686	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	794	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	899	#196 4 copies F	10.00
576	SECHELLIS Boen #125 145 126 OG NH F-VF	11.52	687	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	795	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	900	#197 4 copies F	10.00
577	SOUTH AUSTRALIA #68A, OG Very Good	4.35	688	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	796	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	901	#198 4 copies F	10.00
578	SOUTHERN NIGERIA #20 (Ovpt. "Specimen") for normal stamp	60.00	689	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	797	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	902	#199 4 copies F	10.00
579	SOUTH WEST AFRICA #1 pair, an error 1st broken "th" in "south" F OG Est.	6.00	690	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	798	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	903	#200 4 copies F	10.00
580	#165-180 (3 sets) OG NH F-VF	7.92	691	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	799	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	904	#201 4 copies F	10.00
581	#173-74 1st day Phil. Exhib. July 2, 1928, Fine	1.50	692	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	800	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	905	#202 4 copies F	10.00
582	#380 Pair on 1st Day, Durham, July 2, 1928 F	3.50	693	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	801	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	906	#203 4 copies F	10.00
583	STRAITS SETTLEMENTS MALAYA #16, mint OG	14.00	694	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	802	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	907	#204 4 copies F	10.00
584	Malay, Pahang, 2 L. 1st day Silver Wedding MB	6.00	695	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	803	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	908	#205 4 copies F	10.00
585	Malay, Negri Sembilan #36-37 1st day Sil. Wedding MB	6.00	696	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	804	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	909	#206 4 copies F	10.00
586	SUDAN #C16 OG F-VF	6.00	697	#10 Sl. thin Fine	17.50	805	#25 (1/2s Rose) Sl. thin G	15.00	910	#207 4 copies F	10.00
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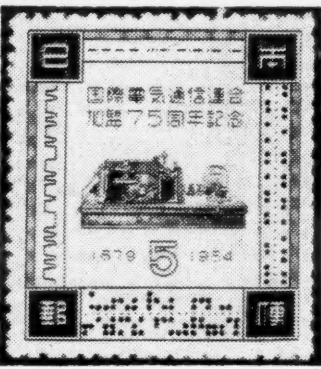
Japanese Telegraphic Codes
Pose Problems In Translating
Along With Decoding Troubles

R. P. Alexander

Four years ago the Japanese Post Office issued a single commemorative to note the 75th anniversary of the nation's accession to the International Communications Union. The motif included inscriptions in Japanese and four different Japanese telegraph codes.

Some three million copies of this stamp, which was designed by Kasao Tsunoo and engraved by Yoshida Yutaka, appeared October 13, 1954, but it is ventured that something considerably less than three million individuals have been able to decode the inscriptions found in the four panels surrounding the central design of an early Morse telegraphic instrument!

This supposition is based in part upon the scrambled accounts which have appeared in the Japanese philatelic press to the effect that the inscription in the south panel is "backwards" or is a "mirror-image", or is garbled in some way or another. In part, this supposition is based upon the personal difficulties I have experienced in considerable effort devoted to solving the problems presented.



I am now happy to be able to report that the designer made no errors and the engraver made no errors and the codes used were used correctly. Collectors having copies of this interesting stamp would find it fascinating to verify the following findings by checking their stamps with a magnifying glass of moderate power, although the markings concerned can all be identified by the normal eye.

The first clue to reading the codes in the four panels is found in the two-line inscription in characters in the upper central portion of the stamp. A transliteration and translation of these characters is as follows. The top line, running from left to right:

KOKU-SAI ("International")
DEN-KI ("Electrical") TSU-SHIN
("Communications") REN-GO
("Union").

The second line, also running from left to right:
KA-MEI ("Accession") or "Affiliation"
7 5 SHU-NEN ("Whole years")
KI-NEN ("Commemoration").

Bearing this inscription in mind, let us turn first of all to the inscription in the north (top) panel, which at first glance looks like the ordinary dot-and-dash code. This is not in the normal Morse code, however, but is in what is called "Japanese Kana Morse".

It is to be recalled that the Japanese have no alphabet, but do have a syllabary and, it follows, they have a Morse code designed for the transmission of symbols for syllables. Through the courtesy of one Japanese friend, I learned that this combination of dots and dashes stands for the following:
Dash dash dash dash KO
Dot dot dot dot KU
Dash dot dash dot dash SA
Dot dash I

Thus we have KOKU-SAIL, meaning "International" and we know that we probably have started with the correct panel to give us the inscription translated in the preceding paragraph.

Going clockwise, we refer now to panel down the east (right) side of the stamp. We leave the stamp upright, and read the dots by pairs from top to bottom of the panel. As will be seen, this is a perforated tape, so we ignore the tiny perforation dots down its center and concern ourselves with the big round ones at the sides.

These are in two basic combinations:

• • signifying a dot, and
• • which represents a dash.

Through the courtesy of still another Japanese friend I find that this is called a Wheatstone tape, known to the Japanese as "Hoi-susuton taapu". The translation of this code is as follows, reading downward:

• • Dot • • Dot • • Dash
• • Dash • • Dot • • Dot
• • Dot • • Dot • • Dash
• • Dash • • Dash • • Dot
• • Dash • • Dot • • Dot

TE (Nigori) N KI
The nigori changes the preceding

from TE to DE, making the whole DEN-KI or "Electrical".

The Japanese 6-unit Teleprinter code seen next in the south or bottom panel is the one which has caused the greatest difficulty and a large number of Japanese friends have been unable to help me. Recently, however, a visitor from Japan was able to read this for me.

It reads from right to left, again going clockwise from the previous inscription. It will be observed that again there is a central line of perforations, with larger perforations both above and below the central line.

The syllabics are depicted by means of a single vertical line of perforations above and below the central line, in combination. In all, it is to be seen that there are six spaces vertically which we may number for our purposes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, from the top downward.

This particular code is used in two ways; first of all for the ordinary syllabics, with a second column, using the same code, for figures, *nigori*, letters, a few syllabics and various symbols. There are also groups of perforations which serve as indicators to show whether the code should be read as a syllabic or should be read from the figures column.

Let us now proceed with the inscription itself, beginning at the right end of the panel and reading each vertical row of dots by counting from the top downward. We find that the first column shows dots in the 4th, 5th and 6th "steps", the second column in the 3rd and 4th, and the third in the 3rd, 5th and 6th. Continuing, then:

456 TU
34 U
3 56 SI
56 N, TSUSHIN ("Communications")

24 56 Indicator that the Figure Column must be used

2 45 RE
23456 Indicator that the Letters Column must be used

56 N
6 KO
234 6 Nigori, changing the KO to GO, RENGO ("Union");

2 45 KA
123 ME
4 6 I, KAMEI ("Accession");

23 56 Indicator that the Figure Column must be used

34 7
2 4 6 5, 75;
23456 Indicator that the Letters

Column must be used

3 56 SI
34 U
1 3 5 NE
56 N, SHUNEN ("Whole years")

Finally, we turn to the panel on the west, the last, which is called, according to one Japanese friend, an "Andurata". It is, of course, a Japanese Kana Morse Undulator. This particular panel reads from left to right (upwards on the stamp itself) with the following results, considering the top row of flats and points across the row as dashes and dots, respectively.

Dash dot dash dot dot KI
Dash dash dot dash NE
Dot dash dot dash dot N, KINEN (Commemorative)

We thus find, as anticipated, that the codes in the four panels, beginning with the top panel and then going clockwise, reproduce, in syllabics and figures, the same inscription seen in the two-line inscription in characters in the upper central portion of the stamp itself.

I have seen two types of first day covers for this stamp. One, produced by the Japan Postal Culture Assn. c/o Ministry of Postal Services, depicts the first Japanese public telegraph operation, in Yokohama in 1877.

The other has, for illustrative purposes, four code tapes. The tape running from west to east at the top, is in Japanese Kana Morse and stands for KOKU-SAI, the beginning of KOKUSAI. The strip running from the northwest to the south east, with but three small errors, stands for DENKI, and so it goes, but it is to be doubted that this would be of much general interest.

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The Phoenix Philatelic Assn. Overland Mail welcoming committee at the Yuma corral stop get a ride in the Butterfield Concord stage during the centennial caravan's parade in that Arizona city. Seated in the vehicle, left to right, are Mrs. Anna Chemi, committee chairman James Chemi, Paul Krcina, Mrs. Marie Metzong, and Debs Metzong. The PPA committee serviced 2000 covers at the Yuma stop-over for collectors in 47 states and 6 Canadian provinces. Only New Hampshire was missing from the collectors' list. An amazing total of \$200 cacheted covers was serviced by PPA at the four Arizona corral stops, Tucson, Casa Grande, Gila Bend, and Yuma.

Very Low Proportion Of HPO Overland Mail Cancells Due To Insufficient Advance Details

Jim Chemi

Early in October the Butterfield Overland Mail caravan, retracing the route used by that famous mail stage line a century ago, passed through Arizona—the land of the Apaches and their colorful Chief Cochise.

The Apaches weren't on the warpath this time when the centennial caravan traveled through such historic spots as Tucson, Casa Grande, Gila Bend, and Yuma, but the cover collectors of America gave the Highway Post Office Truck No. 1 a bigger headache than had been anticipated when it joined the rerun trip at St. Louis September 16.

We followed the overland caravan through most of southern Arizona and had a chance to gain firsthand information on how the more than a quarter of a million philatelic covers were being handled at the various stops by HPO No. 1. What we learned was quite revealing and will probably answer many questions of collectors who had sent covers for servicing along the 2800-mile route.

The most revealing fact uncovered—and it came as quite a surprise to us, too—was the method by which covers received the special caravan cancellation of the HPO truck. Like many collectors, we were under the impression that mail would receive the HPO cancellation at each night's corral stop. This was not the case and after it was explained to us we can readily see why this could not be the case!

Actually, only those philatelic covers which were directly deposited in the mail box on the HPO truck at the various stops received the HPO cancellation! Covers which were sent to any postoffice along the caravan route received only the town cancellation of that particular postoffice. Then when the HPO arrived with the caravan the souvenir mail was picked up and carried on the HPO to San Francisco where it received the October 10 backstamp and then was dispatched to the addressees.

We asked: "Why weren't all covers cancelled by the HPO?"

The answer was certainly a basic one—and the only logical one: The HPO is actually a traveling postoffice with its own cancellation. Mail deposited with it would be canceled by it! For an example, if one deposits a letter within the bounds of the New York postoffice, one couldn't expect that letter to be cancelled by the Philadelphia postoffice!

It's that simple—if a collector sent a letter to a postoffice along the caravan route the only possible cancellation that letter could receive would be that of the postoffice to which the letter was sent for servicing.

Some collectors were aware of this procedure of mail canceling and sent covers to friends in towns where the caravan was scheduled to make mail pickups. These friends then went to the mail box on the HPO Truck No. 1 and deposited the covers.

These covers all received the HPO overland mail caravan cancellation. Visitors to the caravan's overnight corral stops also had a chance to deposit mail in the HPO mail box. These, too,

received the colorful HPO caravan cancel.

When the excitement of this great philatelic adventure dies down and collectors have a chance to scan through their covers they are sure to come up with the revealing fact that the truly scarce items of the entire caravan rerun will be—those covers bearing the special HPO caravan cancellation.

Unfortunately, this circumstance was not explained by the Post Office Department in any of its advance publicity and instructions, and only a veteran cover collector long experienced in the whys and wherefores of the labyrinth of PL&R could have been expected to anticipate its presence and application. As a result, countless collectors have wound up disappointed in their covers which have an ordinary town, instead of HPO No. 1, postmarking.

However, even though they have been disappointed in not having their covers serviced on the HPO bus, it is still a consolation to know that at least they were actually carried on it. This is proved by the San Francisco backstamp, applied on arrival. It is understood at this time that some quarter of a million covers were so transported on the bus, with but a rather small proportion of that lot actually canceled on it.

Missive Carried By Regulus Missile

Neither elements at sea nor a fiery crash has stayed the appointed delivery of a missile missive, according to a story in the September 26 "Evening Tribune" of San Diego, Calif.

Of course it took eight days for the letter to travel about 1000 miles, but then the little delays can be ironed out.

Capt. Ralph E. Styles, commander of Submarine Flotilla 1 there, recently received a letter launched aboard the first Regulus II guided missile to be fired at sea from a submarine.

The letter was from Rear Adm. J. P. Monroe, commander of the Pacific Missile Range at Point Mugu. It called attention to the historic missile flight and asked Styles to pray that the weapon never be needed for a more warlike mission.

The Regulus II was launched September 16 from the submarine "Grayback" a mile off the Point Mugu Naval Air Missile Test Center.

It traveled more than 200 miles to Edwards Air Force Base, but the Regulus' landing mechanism failed at Edwards and the missile crashed in flames. The Styles letter was saved.

Since the letter was addressed to Styles in care of Fleet Post, San Francisco, that's where it went after being recovered from the nose cone.

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The Flatbush Philatelic Club of Brooklyn, N. Y. will hold its annual dinner at the Flatbush Terrace Restaurant on election eve, November 3. The purpose of this dinner will be to honor one of the club's oldest and most active members, William R. Rankin.

Mr. Rankin who is an officer in The Collectors Club of New York and past president of the China Stamp Society has perhaps the finest Chinese Treaty Ports collection in existence. It has won many awards at both National and International shows including Fixex.

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To give a glimpse of the nature and scope of the publication and, at the same time, to portray some of the many fascinating angles of Japanese Philately, the following tabulation is presented of the content of the first five issues of 1958 (Pages 1 through 175). Unless otherwise indicated, all of the articles are by Robert M. Spaulding.

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"The Establishment of the Ryukyuan Philatelic Agency", by R. P. Alexander.

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New Set For
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Australian Postmaster General C. W. Davidson has announced that a new set of stamps for Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean was issued October 15. Of ten values, denominations are expressed in Malayan currency.



The ten are made up as follows, with Australian pence equivalents in parentheses: 2c yellow orange (1d), 4c brown (1½d), 5c mauve (2d), 6c gray blue (2½d), 8c blackish brown (3d), 10c violet (4d), 12c carmine (4½d), 20c blue (7½d), 50c green (1/-), and \$1 deep bluish green (3/-).

The colors listed have been changed slightly from those mentioned when the set was originally announced. The alterations were made to permit the best possible color separation in the finished product. The entire ten will be of the same design showing the Queen, overprinted "CHRISTMAS ISLAND" with the appropriate denomination.

It is further stated that the new series will remain in use for some 18 months to two years, by the end of which period a definite pictorial series will be provided.

General information included in the announcement discloses the fact that a grand total of 1,109,000,000 postage stamps was delivered to the Australian post office during the fiscal year ending June 30, plus an additional 2 million items of postal stationery—postal cards, aerograms, lettercards.

Face value of adhesives and stationery involved was 26 million Australian pounds (\$2.25 U. S.), plus another 12½ million envelopes imprinted directly for private users.

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482 2c Carmine	.25	.50	1.00
483 3c Violet	1.35	2.70	5.50
484 3c Violet	1.05	2.10	4.40
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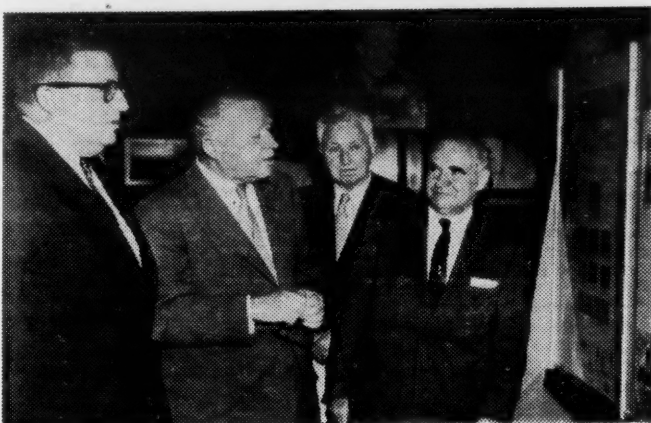
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Commem Quartet Of 2600th Anniversary Of Japan Is Rich In Mythology And Symbolism

Edward W. Thrall

In just a few months more than 30 years hence, we in these United States of America shall pass the 200th anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as our first president. April 30, 1979 will be that day of days on our calendar.

Less than a score of years ago—February 11, 1940—a milestone of similar moment was passed in the history of our neighbor to the Far East, Japan. But it was not the 200th notch, nor yet the 2000th mark—it was the 2600th anniversary of the ascension to the throne of the first ruler of the Japanese nation.

Naturally, a set of commemorative stamps was issued to mark the occasion. A modest four in number, two were released February 11 and the remaining pair November 10, 1940, both dates being important in the history of Japan. Succinct details are given in Scott's Catalogue, under Nos. 299-302, as follows (the word "kite" refers to the hawk-like bird, and not to the flying device):

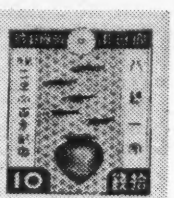


A118 Sacred Golden Kite.
A119 Mount Kachiho.
A120 Five Trout and Sake Jar.
A121 Kashiwara Shrine.
1940—Engraved—Perf. 12.
299 A118 2s. brown orange.
300 A119 4s. dark green.
301 A120 10s. dark carmine.
302 A121 20s. dark ultramarine.

Followed by the note reading: "Issued to commemorate the 2,600th anniversary of the birth of the Japanese Empire."

Stanley Gibbons, under Nos. C118-121 gives these details but adds that the 2 sen and 10s. values were issued on February 11, 1940 and the 4s. and 20s. values were issued on November 10, 1940, plus the note that all four stamps were printed by the "Government Printing Works, Tokio."

The New World-Wide Postage Stamp Catalogue of Minkus does much better and adds that: "2s. Gold-colored kite which perched on Jimmu's bow and emitted light which dazzled enemies, aiding Jimmu in conquest of Japan."
"4s. Mt. Takachiho, on which Ninigi-no-Mikoto (great grandfather of Jimmu) deposited sacred treasures."



"10s. Sake jar and ayu (trout-like fish). According to legend, Jimmu, descendant of gods, when founding Japan, placed jars in the Nyu river. Fish became drunk as omen of Jimmu's success in establishing peace in the land."

"20s. Kashiwara shrine dedicated to Jimmu, built 1890, on spot where Jimmu was enthroned (as 1st Japanese emperor); enlarged 1940." Minkus adds that the occasion was the "2600th anniversary of the legendary founding of Japanese Empire."

The 1955 English Edition of the Specialized Catalog of The Postage Stamps of Japan, by Robert M. Spaulding, Jr. contains all of the particulars previously furnished by him to Minkus, plus the following: "Quantities issued: 2-sen, 3,450,000; 4-sen, 10,880,000; 10-sen, 570,000; 20-sen, 1,072,000. 'Engraved in sheets of 50: the 2 and 10 are arranged 10 x 5 and the 4 and 20 are 5 x 10.' Mr. Spaulding adds that the stamps were printed by the Cabinet Printing Bureau and that the specimen stamps consist of stamps overprinted 'mihon,' in black syllabics.

By referring to "Japanese Postage Stamps", Tourist Library 30, prepared by the Board of Tourist Industry, Japanese Government Railways and issued in Tokyo in 1940; Dr. Ernest Wilson Clement's "A Short History of Japan", 1939; Herbert H. Gowen's "Outline History of Japan" 1927; the publications of the International Society for Japanese Philately; and to certain material in the possession of R. P. Alexander, the following article has been made possible.

Printing—A unique process was developed by the Japanese Government Printing Bureau and was used for printing all four stamps. Upon superficial examination, the stamps appear to be "recess-printed", but careful examination shows places which look more like photogravure—for example the cloud behind the Golden Kite on the 2-sen value. Although details of this Bureau-Style printing, known as Kyoku-shiki or "GPB-style" recess printing cannot be made public, it is believed to be an improved or modified photogravure process which does not require a screen in the plate making. I am indebted to Prof. Yoshitsugi Mishima for this information (contained in Japanese Philately, Vol. VIII No. 8 (December 1953).

Designers—The original drawings for all four stamps were made by Matsuura Takeji, but the designers of the stamps were as follows: Kasori Teizo—2-sen and 4-sen. Kimura Masaru—10-sen and 20-sen.

Size of Impression—2s. and 10s., 22 1/2mm x 27mm; 4s. and 20s., 27mm x 22 1/2mm.

Plate Imprint—In the case of the 2s. and 10s. values, the imprint is under Nos. 45 and 46. In the case of the 4s. and the 20s. values, it is under No. 48. The imprint in each case reads NAIKAKU "Cabinet" INSAITSU-KYOKU ("Printing Bureau") SEIZO ("Produced by...").

Inscriptions—All four stamps have an inscription across the top reading from right to left: DAI ("Great") NIPPON ("Japan") TEI-KOKU ("Imperial") YU-BIN ("Postage"). At the bottom of the 2s. and 4s. stamps; in the west panel of the 10s. and above the shrine roof in the 20s. is the inscription, reading from right to left or from top to bottom, KI-GEN ("Era") NI-SEN-ROP-PYAKU-NEN ("2,600 years") KI-NEN ("Commemorative").

In the east panel of the 10s. item is the interesting inscription, reading from top to bottom, mentioned by George A. Fisher, Jr. in Japanese Philately Vol. IX No. 3 (April 1954) as reading HAK-KO ICHI-U and meaning, roughly "Harmony for the whole world."

A letter from Prof. Edwin O. Reischauer dated March 18, 1957 to R. P. Alexander states that this is telescoped from a phrase appearing in "Nihon Shogi", where Aston

translates it: "Thereafter the capital may be extended so as to embrace all the six cardinal points, and the eight cords may be covered so as to form a roof."

Aston's footnote reads: "The character for roof also means the universe. The eight cords, or measuring tapes, simply mean everywhere."

Dr. Reischauer adds that "Actually 'hakko' occurs in the Hual-nan-tzu (2nd century B. C.) meaning the 'eight directions', and ichiu occurs in Chinese literature meaning 'one house'. In my opinion, the phrase 'Hakko Ichiu' was used by the Japanese as part of Japan's ideological delusion that the entire world was to be brought into harmony, by being placed under the control of Japan!

The only other inscriptions are for the values themselves, in the lower right hand corner of the 2, 4 and 10s. stamps and the lower left hand corner of the 20s. value, followed by the character for "Sen".

Designs—The design selected for the 2s. stamp is that of the bird known as the Golden Kite (Kinshoku-Reishi). Why a Golden Kite? This harks back to an episode related in the "Nihon Shogi" ("Chronicles of Japan") generally referred to as the "Nihongi", dating from the eighth century after Christ.

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A sudden shower came up, in the midst of which a beautiful Golden Kite appeared most unexpectedly and settled on the top of the Emperor's bow. A bright light emanated from this wonderful bird, a light so bright that it dazzled the eyes of the enemy which the Emperor's forces quickly prevailed.

Nagasunehiko offered to surrender that his life might be spared but the Emperor ordered him to be put to death.

In the mythological February of the following year, the Emperor subdued the rest of Yamato Province and restored peace to the country. (The foregoing has been based in large measure upon the account by Y. Shimoda, director of (Continued on page 31)

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William T. Johnson

Two hundred years to the day after General John Forbes led 2500 English and Colonial soldiers into the smoldering ruins of Fort Duquesne, the United States Post Office Department will mark the founding of Pittsburgh by issuing a 4c commemorative, November 25. On that day in 1758, 500 French soldiers burned the fort and fled northward to Canada from the Forks of the Ohio with the advance of the superior British force.

The supply line between Louisiana and Canada severed, this spelled the permanent end of French domination of the trans-Allegheny Mountain region. No longer were the English settlers hemmed in between the Appalachian range and the Atlantic Ocean. "The Gateway to the West" was open. Five years before, George Washington had passed the Forks of the Ohio and had written in his journal that this location seemed "extremely well situated for a Fort." The next year Governor Dinwiddie of Virginia sent young Washington to build Fort Prince George at this, the confluence of the Allegheny and the Monongahela Rivers. Before the fort was completed, it was captured by the French and named in honor of Marquis Duquesne, the governor of New France.

But they were destined to hold the Point a mere four years. On the day of British capture, General Forbes named the new outpost Fort Pitt in a letter to Prime Minister William Pitt.

Now "The Point" between the rivers is Point State Park, with the Blockhouse the only remnant of Fort Pitt. Double deck bridges, new tunnels, intricate freeway interchanges, gleaming skyscrapers, a civic auditorium, and a municipal stadium are rising from the old Pittsburgh where ten years ago residential and commercial slums stood.

The commercial core of the city between the rivers is known as "The Golden Triangle." A large fraction of it has been leveled and rebuilt in recent years in preparation for the bi-centennial, much as Forbes leveled the gutted French fort and had a larger garrison erected.

For a city with such a rich historical background, Pittsburgh has long awaited philatelic recognition. In the last quarter century, Pittsburgh has had but one first day of issue accorded it. That was the Ethelbert Nevin 10c (Scott No. 883) of the composers' group of the Famous American Series, issued November 10, 1940.

Pittsburgh was passed over in favor of Bardonia, Ky. even when the city's most famous native composer, Stephen C. Foster, was honored by the 1c value (879) of that same set, May 3, 1940. Victor Herbert composed many of his famous operettas while conductor of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra from 1898 to 1904, but New York was given the nod for the 3c issue (881) of this same composers' group, May 13, 1940.

Andrew Mellon, born in Pittsburgh, a financial giant in banking, coal, coke, oil, and aluminum, and Secretary of the Treasury under Harding, Coolidge, and Hoover, was honored by a 3c commemorative (1072) on the centennial of his birth, December 20, 1955, but Washington, D. C., was chosen for the day of issue.

The centennial of the steel industry was observed with a 3c commemorative (1090) on May 22, 1957, but Pittsburgh, long synonymous with leadership in steel production, was bypassed for New York City.

Thus it is understandable that the two and a half million residents of Greater Pittsburgh, the eighth largest metropolis in the nation, are happy that their past heritage and present greatness are to be finally commemorated philatelically this November 25.

Postal Stationery In "Japanese Philately"

The October 1958 issue of "JAPANESE PHILATELY," published by the International Society for Japanese Philately, is a special number devoting its 35 pages exclusively to the field of Japanese postal stationery.

The issue opens with an outline of the numerous types and categories of postal stationery issued by Japan.

Following this broad survey are two long articles: a specialized catalog of Japanese ordinary mail postal cards by Robert M. Spaulding, Jr., and a complete listing by George A. Fisher, Jr., of the 72 official picture postcards without imprinted postage stamps, issued by the Ministry of Communications.

For a long time, it has been extremely difficult for collectors outside Japan to ascertain what ordinary mail postal cards Japan has issued since 1873. This, of course, has made it impossible to arrange collections intelligently, much less to look for missing issues or to attempt formation of a specialized collection.

The new catalog listing meets all these needs, in terse but detailed form. There is only one Japanese-language listing which matches it in level of specialization, and this Japanese listing is appearing serially in a little

known magazine, and is not yet complete.

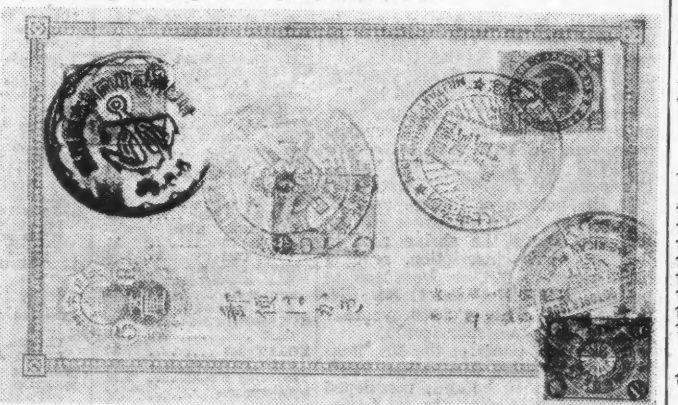
The article listing the official picture postcards fully describes the interesting and colorful designs used to commemorate such diverse activities as the 1908 visit of the American fleet to Japan and the 1910 Japan-British Exposition held in London.

The special commemorative inscriptions on the cards are identified and translated, and all of the innumerable small objects and designs incorporated into the many composite pictures are described. The 72 cards are listed by issue and set.

Four plates of illustrations accompany the article; in addition to illustrating all 72 cards, they also contain reproductions of the 13 special commemorative cancellations which were used.

Generally speaking, JAPANESE PHILATELY contains many articles on a wide variety of subjects pertaining to the stamps, postal stationery, and postal history of Japan, Japanese territories and occupied areas, and the Ryukyu Islands, but this issue is a special issue devoted to Postal Stationery.

Copies are available only to members of the ISJP, but membership is always open to any interested philatelists. Full information can be obtained from the society's secretary, Edith Rolfe, 100 W. Montgomery Ave., Ardmore, Pa.



On the above postal card are four Japanese commemorative cancellations of half a century ago. The identity of that at the upper left, with anchor and what seems to be a horseshoe, is not known. The next one is for "Naval Commemoration Day / of the War 1904-1905", while that at upper right notes the "Triumph / Military Review-1906". At the lower right is "Tokio / 18-24 October 1908 / Commemoration of / Visit / of / American Fleet". A fifth, on the reverse of the card, indicates "In Commemoration of / Japan-British Exhibition, London, 1910".

From "One" To "Two" - And Back

All of the National Parks of Japan, more specifically, the Kokuritsu-Koen or "nationally established parks", have been honored with a series of stamps but late in 1957, the Japanese authorities decided to start a new set depicting the Prefectural Parks. The latter are known as kokutei-koen and differ from the National Parks in that they are operated by the local prefectures rather than by the national Ministry of Welfare. Kokutei-koen means "nationally designed parks".

It was the intention of the authorities to restrict these issues to a single adhesive for each of the 14 kokutei-koen in Japan, and to spread the series over a period of two or three years. But instead of making a single stamp for the Sado-Yahiko Park issue of August 20, 1958 — the first of the series — two stamps appeared.

The reason for this particular increase may be of some interest. It is understood that Mr. Tanaka, then Minister of Postal Services, hails from Yahiko city and was running as a candidate for the National Diet. As a gracious gesture to his constituents, he ordered a second stamp for the Sado-Yahiko Park, showing a view of Mt. Yahiko.

Be that as it may be, by the time the commems appeared, Mr. Tanaka was no longer the Minister of Postal Services! Whether he gained a seat in the National Diet is not known, but it is definitely understood that all future issues in this series will be restricted to one stamp per park.

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- 168 — 238 279
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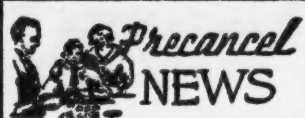
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Also Louisville, 3c sheet; Baltimore, 5c and 7c sheet; Minneapolis, 6c sheet; St. Paul, 2c sheet; Newark, 4c sheet; Albany, 9c sheet; Amsterdam, 1/2c sheet; Brooklyn, 2c and 3c sheet; Garden City, 3c coil; New York, 10c sheet; Cleveland, 2c sheet; Dayton, 2c sheet; Houston, 3c sheet; Milwaukee, 3c coil.

NOTES

In the above are several 4c coil items. Perhaps there were some previous but these seem to be the first of this value coil. The 1/2c Liberty Bureau probably won't be precanceled very much although with the 2 1/2c and 4 1/2c values in the offing it might be used as an addition to existing values. One would guess that local 1/2c items would be employed to use up slow moving values that are outdated by new rates.

That Clifton, N. J. narrow Prexy removes this item from the potentially scarce class. It had been selling from 30c to a dollar per copy.

Those not often seen City Type coils are still with us. Saw several copies of the 2c Liberty coil precanceled Harrisburg. These will probably be more scarce than either the 2c Bureau coil or sheet stamp from Harrisburg but probably won't command any fancy price because there are not enough collectors going after them.

BULLETIN BOARD

The "Nebraska News" with Liberties from Buchard, Nebr. in the new rubber type. Nebraska has 414 Towns and 643 Types. Another mailing of the "NEWS" comes from Boys Town, Nebr. I imagine this is quite welcome to many collectors as this town was on many want lists.

The Denver, Colo. Stamp Club mailed a bulletin with Liberties from Strasburg, Colo. This is a non-precancel club, but one that sees the value of using interesting precancels on club mailings at various times.

Another non-precancel group, the Southeast Kansas Philatelic Society, mailed its "Roster" with Liberty precancels from Axtell, Kans. This looks like one of the new rubber types.

Still another non-precancel club using precancels, and one we have mentioned several times is the Tucson Stamp Club. Its October bulletin was mailed from Flagstaff, Ariz. This looks like rubber handstamp too, but a lot like the old-time styles.

Mrs. Magsaysay At Regis College Club

Mrs. Ramon Magsaysay, widow of the late president of the Philippines, honored the Cardinal Spellman Philatelic Society with a visit at its September 21 meeting at Regis College, Weston, Mass. On display for the occasion were stamps and photographs connected with the late Ramon Magsaysay, "the foremost champion of Liberty that this generation has known," to quote President Eisenhower.

The Rev. Herbert A. Phinney, president of the society, gave a talk on Lourdes stamps, accompanied with colored slides and specimens of the stamps issued by Monaco, Vatican City, Italy and France.

Along with the Magsaysay display was a special exhibition of Vatican City Conciliation and Provisional stamps, singles and blocks, recently mounted by Thomas Boland of Haverhill, Mass., who discussed with the members the various phases of mounting, calligraphy, silk screening, and other processes.

Accompanying Mrs. Magsaysay on her visit to Regis College where her daughter Milagros is enrolled as a freshman, was Mrs. Gregorio Hernandez, widow of the late Minister of Education who was killed in the same plane accident as the late President.

News Round-Up From Washington

The most recent Post Office Department news releases concern final sales totals of commemoratives recently withdrawn from sale at the Philatelic Agency, a list of plate number combinations of the 8c Kosuth stamp, a new list of plate numbers still on sale at the Agency, and the announcement of several new slogan cancellations soon to be put in use.

There were 50,483,977 of the 4c airmail stamps issued out of a total of 62,683,800 printed. The difference represents stock mutilated and on hand when the new 5c rate went into effect August 1 for sending postcards by airmail.

In the commemorative field, there were 53,854,750 of the 8c Rotary International stamps issued and 63,185,000 of the 6c Air Force airmails.

Three-cent commemorative totals were topped by the 176,075,000 Armed Forces Reserve stamps. Other totals available are: 3c Benjamin Franklin, 129,384,550; Turkey "Wildlife Conservation", 123,159,400; Antelope "Wildlife Conservation", 123,138,800; Booker T. Washington, 121,184,600; FIPEX, 119,784,200; Ft. Ticonderoga, 118,664,600; Pure Food and Drug, 112,932,200; and Andrew Mellon, 112,434,000.

Plate numbers assigned to print the 8c Lajos Kossuth "Champion of Liberty" stamp released September 19 in Washington, D. C. thus far embrace 12 combinations. These are 26056 with 26119 and 26093; 26062 with 26119 and 26098; 26088 with 26092, 26095, 26098 and 26119, and 26091 with 26092, 26095, 26098 and 26119. Four-cent Kossuth plates assigned are 26124-5-6-7.

The Philatelic Sales Agency, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D. C., has issued a revised listing of plate numbers available at the Agency. It includes commemoratives and the 1954-8 "Liberty" series and is, of course, subject to regulations set forth on the regular Agency stock list. Copies of both are available to those sending a stamped, addressed envelope to the Philatelic Sales Agency.

Twenty cities across the nation will utilize special slogan canceling machine die hubs from November 1, 1958 through November 1, 1959, marking the 25th anniversary of the Academy of American Poets. These cities are New York, Philadelphia, Detroit, Cleveland, Boston, St. Louis, San Francisco, Houston, Miami, Washington, Los Angeles, Buffalo (N. Y.), Minneapolis, New Orleans, Denver, Richmond, Atlanta, Seattle, and Scarsdale (N. Y.).

Dothan, Ala. used a cancel "Attend The National Peanut Festival October 20-25" through October 25; Orange, N. J. is using one "Orange Library 75th Anniversary 1883-1958" through December 31, and Wahoo, Nebr. is using one reading "75th Anniversary Luther College 1883-1958" through December 31.

In addition to the 1c Forest Conservation stamp due October 17, the stamp program announced for the balance of the year calls for a 7c embossed "Jet" airmail envelope (cost 8c each) at New York 1, N. Y., on November 21; a 4c Ft. Duquesne Bicentennial commemorative, November 25 at Pittsburgh, Pa.; a 15c John Jay regular postage stamp, Washington 13, D. C., on December 12, and a 7c Alaska Statehood airmail commemorative, probably during December at Juneau, Alaska.

Glen Ellyn Club To See Freiburg IGY Material

The next meeting of the Glen Ellyn Philatelic Club will be held October 27 at the home of the Morgan Tuckers, 211 N. Washington St., Wheaton, Ill.

The feature of the evening will be the showing of club president Richard N. Freiburg's collection of International Geophysical Year stamps and related material. Area collectors are cordially invited.

AMG Ryukyu Album Supplements Ready

Joseph V. Bush, specialist in Ryukyu, Trieste and AMG material and supplies, has announced the publication of his Ryukyu supplement pages No. 4. The set of 12 pages brings the special album for the issues of this country up to date.

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The Annex Stamp Club, composed of boys in the 14-16 age group from the Annex of State Training Schools for Boys at New Hampton, N. Y. has depleted the supply of stamps so generously provided by their stamp collecting friends in the past.

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Chiang Kai-Shek's 72nd Birthday Marked

In honor of the 72nd birthday anniversary of Nationalist China's leader and president, Chiang Kai-Shek, the country will issue a 40c regular stamp on that day, October 31. The design shows Chiang in uniform during a grand review on the national day.

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—Photo, W. J. McCleary

Forestry And Timber On Postage Stamps

Berwyn B. Thomas

Two articles of the above title appeared in the May 31 and June 7, 1954 issues of Linn's. They described a collection of stamps illustrating the story of trees as they occur around the world, their significance and use to man, and the need for the conservation of forests. The article proved popular and was reprinted in five or six papers and magazines, including French and German.

For the occasion of the issuance of the new U. S. Forest Conservation stamp on October 27, the collection has been brought up to date for display. This article, therefore, is a review of new stamp issues which have appeared in the past four years and are appropriate for the collection.

Only a few of the stamps which were previously listed are mentioned here. For the complete current story, the reader is referred to the issue of "Topical Time" magazine for autumn 1958. Various stamps picturing forests have appeared recently. Many of them have special reference to conservation drives or other purposes. One apparently issued only as a scenic item is the Cyprus Troodos forest stamp (Figure 1). The same may be said of pictures of individual trees. Some new, famous trees on stamps include the sacred tree of Buddha (2), the cotton tree of Sierra Leone, and the Ombu of Uruguay.

At least one new tree known as a national emblem has appeared—the olive, representing ancient Israel's tribe of Asher (4). The tree was its emblem because the tribe lived in the fertile valleys where olives grew. Several stamps with other forms of tree symbolism have appeared, the latest being Germany's Turner issue (5), in which the oak leaf represents strength. Others include stamps from India, Brazil, Germany (7), Poland (3), Israel, and Korea. The Christmas tree has appeared on stamps from Austria (6) and Korea.

In a new section added to the story, forests are recognized as the homes of many kinds of wild animals and birds. Man is fortunate for having the opportunity to pursue many activities in the forests, including hunting, hiking, fishing, camping, and other recreation.

A number of new stamps have also been issued dealing with cutting and handling of logs. Issuing countries include Persia, Argentina, Sarawak (8), Laos, and Czechoslovakia.

The French African colonies have contributed some beautiful, detailed views of mechanized yarding and truck loading operations (9), and of a long raft of logs on a river. Transportation of logs to the mills by land and water has been illustrated by British Honduras, Norway, Romania, North Borneo and Singapore.

In the field of wood utilization, five nations have released stamps showing sawing of logs or carpenters at work, and a recent issue from Papua pictures a plywood mill.

At this point we may also introduce a number of postal meter slogan cancellations on which manufacturers of wood products, such as flooring and plywood, have advertised their products.

Among other uses of wood, pictures of matches, toys such as Pinocchio, and a wooden cannon

used in Bulgaria 80 years ago now appear on stamps. Totem poles, on which the Indians of the Northwest recorded their history, are shown on Canada.

New views of paper mills have come from Pakistan, Costa Rica and Canada. Brazil honored newspaper by illustrating a parana pine, from which newsprint is made.

Cellulose, when specially purified, is also used for many chemical products. One of these is cellulose nitrate, and France has issued a commemorative stamp for Count Chardonnet, who first developed a rayon-like fiber from the nitrate.

Alfred Nobel and George Eastman are others who were instrumental in developing cellulose products. Producers of paper and cellulose products also use meter cancellations to advertise those materials.

The last part of this collection deals with stamps, post office cancellations, and meter slogans pertaining to conservation and reforestation. Most of these items are recent, indicating the general public's recent concern for conservation and the value of stamps as propaganda. For this reason the full current story of conservation is given here.

Conservation practice in the United States began when William Penn, 1682, directed that "for every five acres of forest leveled, one must be replanted." But it was not until the administration of President Benjamin Harrison that a Forest Service was established by the U. S. government.

Even this office had little significance until President Theodore Roosevelt established it in the general form and purpose which it retains today.

Roosevelt, with a background of outdoor life, appreciated the importance of forests as national resources, and promoted several measures for their conservation. The centennial of his birth was recognized by a special slogan cancellation in New York and by issuance of the Forest Conservation stamp.

Today conservation involves much scientific work on improvement of tree species and adaptation of useful ones to areas where needed. One of the foremost founders of this science was Carl von Linneus of Sweden, known also as Linnaeus.

He established the botanical classification system and named thousands of plants. He has been pictured on stamps of Sweden, Germany and Romania. Other prominent botanists include Charles Darwin, Luther Burbank and Augusto do Saint-Hilaire of Brazil.

Botanical research gardens carry on this work, and other research institutions study the uses of wood and cellulose from trees. Forestry societies are active in many countries.

Norway has honored Axel Helberg, founder of the Norwegian

"World Of Stamps" Returns To WRCA

Saturday October 11 instituted the resumption of the "World of Stamps" program over WRCA-Radio (660 kc.) with Walter Law as M. C. It is being heard at a new time... 1:05 to 1:20 p.m., immediately following the one o'clock news.

With this season, the program will have completed ten years of broadcasting on WRCA during which time it has covered all fields of stamp collecting and has brought to its microphones many luminaries in the field of stamps as well as many other important personages in both government and business who during the years have in some way come in contact with the hobby of stamp collecting.

The subjects covered in the programs have been vast and varied... history, geography, adventure, current events, new issues and personal interviews all correlated and digested for the stamp collector. Except for two seasons out of the ten, the Washington Press of Newark, N. J., creator of products for stamp collectors, has been the program's continuous sponsors.

The October 11 resumption included a pickup from West Hart-

society, and the U. S. Forest Conservation stamp is being given first day issuance at a convention of the American Forestry Assn. World conferences on forestry held in the past 10 years have been recognized postally by Colombia (12), Finland, India, Persia, and Korea.

The importance of forest cover as protection for water supplies, and of tree borders as

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Not for the lad who "started collectin'" last week, but for the stamp enthusiast who knows quality and value when he sees it, is the 1959 edition of "Juliard Classics". This is a 6 x 9, 30-page printed booklet on slick paper, well illustrated, offering over 800 lots of classic stamps at competitive prices. It is available from Alex Juliard, Narberth, Pa.

Fanciers of the better things in U. S. material will do well to check the November 13-15 auction of Alan M. Thatcher, 1703 Harbor Dr., Clearwater, Fla. Early Florida covers, presidential franks, FDC's from 1883, unusual postal cards and envelopes, are but some of the wonderful material from two big collections being sold. Catalogs free on request.

Kolor Kover, P. O. Box 1555, Springfield 1, Mass. maker of beautifully colored first day covers for U. S. and UN stamps, has just issued a new price list beginning with the Will Rogers adhesive of 1948. Shown are the issues of both governments, almost complete, in singles, blocks and plate blocks. Copies of the new price list are free in return for 4c postage.

Something new is the vest pocket miniature auction now being held monthly by Montalto Stamp Outlet, P. O. Box 54, New Church, Va. Copies of the current list are free on request, along with the firm's two-page folder of special offerings for November. There are some interesting items, and a free bonus offer, plus some newsy comment, in each month's price list.

"All of us thought, when we took our present suite of offices just three short years ago," said Earl P. L. Apfelbaum, 1428 S. Penn Sq., Philadelphia, Pa., "that we were 'set' for a few years." And so the firm was—for three years! Now it is moving upstairs to much larger quarters to accommodate increased mail and counter business. Visitors are welcome.

Frank Warner, 109 Nassau St., New York 38, has set up a new division to specialize in mint stamps and FDC's pertaining to the opening of the UNESCO building in Paris, November 3. It will also handle the December 10 UN "ECOSOC" issues. Some 24 countries are expected to note each event. Collectors placing advance orders will be assured of coverage.

Classified advertiser Ruby Stamp Co., Box 375, Lynbrook, N. Y. has issued a new 6-page price list of U. S. commems from the 1c Columbian to date, mint and used. Plate blocks are shown from the 1923 Hardings to date. Collectors interested in these issues will find a stamped, addressed envelope sent for a free copy a decidedly excellent investment.

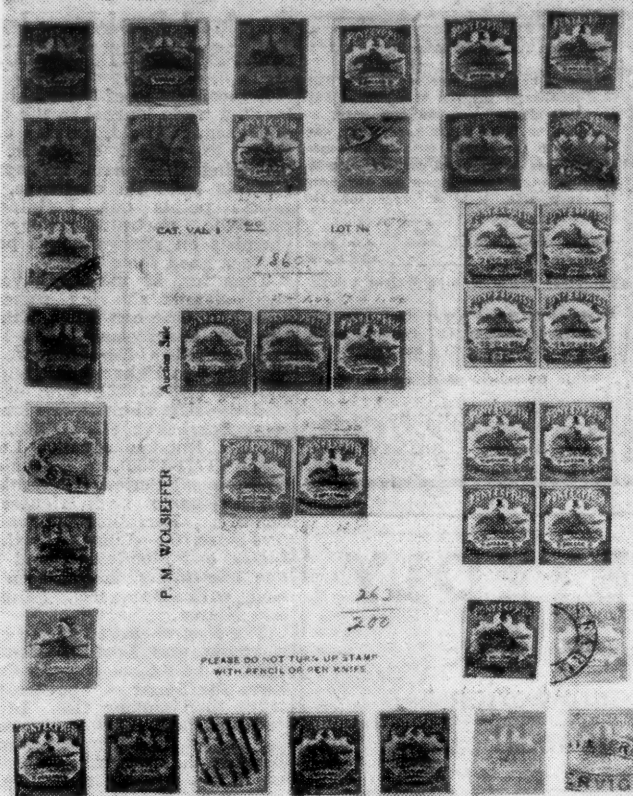
FORESTRY

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shelters for fields, has been recognized by Romania, Bulgaria, Turkey, Russia and Nationalist China. Russia postally marked a vast program of shelter belt and forest area planting throughout her southwestern regions.

General campaigns of public education on forest conservation have taken many forms. Some campaigns recognize special days, weeks or months, while others are general. Issues include those from Iceland (15), Romania (17) China, Japan, Ryukyu Islands, Turkey, Italy (16), Syria, and the United States.

Postal cancellations from two "Forest Festivals" and several industrial slogans are also included. More specific educational programs are carried on by organizations such as the 4-H clubs and the United Nations' FAO, which have been postally honor-



A DOUBLE REMINDER OF THE DISTANT PAST is this album page from a collection recently purchased by R. R. Molitor, Cleveland, Ohio from the estate of a late customer. In a "frame" of 26 singles and two blocks of the various values and colors of the Wells Fargo Locals of the early 1860's it bears an original auction sheet with five more singles. The sheet carries the imprint of P. M. Wolsifer, prominent dealer of a third of a century or more ago.

ed by Brazil, Russia and Turkey. Other nations have also noted such educational campaigns. A Finnish magazine of forestry information, "Tapio", is publicized in its postal meter.

Tree planting was first recognized on a stamp in 1932, with the U.S. Arbor Day issue. Similar stamps have come from Romania Bulgaria (10), China (11), Korea, and Turkey (13). Russia has shown machine planters used in her shelter belt project.

In Israel, millions of trees have been planted to replace ancient forests which until recently were desert areas. This work was honored by the Conquest of the Desert Exhibition, for which a stamp was issued. Trees for such plantings come from nurseries. One at Bad Liebenwerda, East Germany, is publicized by a postmark used there.

The other facet of this subject is the protection of trees from various kinds of damage. Insect control by hand and air spraying has been shown by Bulgaria and Romania. The Philippines holds competitions for the best-tended fruit trees as a memorial to the late Senora Quezon (14).

But the most dramatic cause of damage to forests is fire. This subject has brought forth only one stamp—a new one from West Germany (18). As a prime field for public reminders, however, it has not been overlooked by users of cancelling and meter machines.

Several well-designed labels are shown in the collection. The slogan, "Prevent Forest Fires", is used often. Another common one is the "Keep . . . Green" slogan first released in Washington State about 25 years ago. With state or locality names inserted, this canceller has been used extensively elsewhere since then.

An eye-catching postmark from Salem, Ore. shows a line of burned, black stumps, while another cancellation, reading "Only you can prevent forest fires", has been distributed by the Post Office Department to a large number of cities.

Recently these devices have included another symbol of the publicity campaign—"Smokey", the Fire Prevention Bear. And the picture of Smokey with the words, "Keep America Green", appears on the first day canceller for the October 27 Forest Conservation issue.

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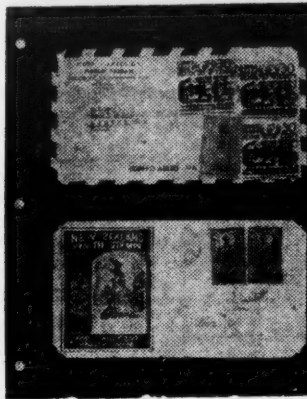
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Thus far, 20 nations have issued stamps showing some 60 chemists. One can start with alchemists Paracelsus (1493-1541) and Agricola (1494-1555), proceed through van Helmont (1577-1644), Sylvius (1614-1672), who organized the first anniversary laboratory, Boerhaave (1668-1738), and pioneer Russian chemist Lomonosov (1711-1765), to the so-called Classical Period of chemistry. Then come such figures as Scheele, Berzelius, Lavoisier, Avogadro, Gay-Lussac, Berthelot, Liebig and Mendeleev; and then one encounters the Modern Period with Becquerel, Langevin and Nernst.

The first chemist ever to grace a stamp was Louis Pasteur—in 1923, to be exact—but the Curies have the honor of appearing of ten times more often. In fact, in 1939 and for several years after, postal tax stamps in Panama bearing the Curies' picture were obligatory on all mail, the tax portion of the stamps going towards cancer research.

Still fresh in most American chemists' minds is the 1956 U.S. stamp, on the 50th anniversary of the Food and Drug Administration, honoring chemist Harvey Wiley (1844-1930) for his tireless battle for pure foods and drugs.

FT. DUQUESNE
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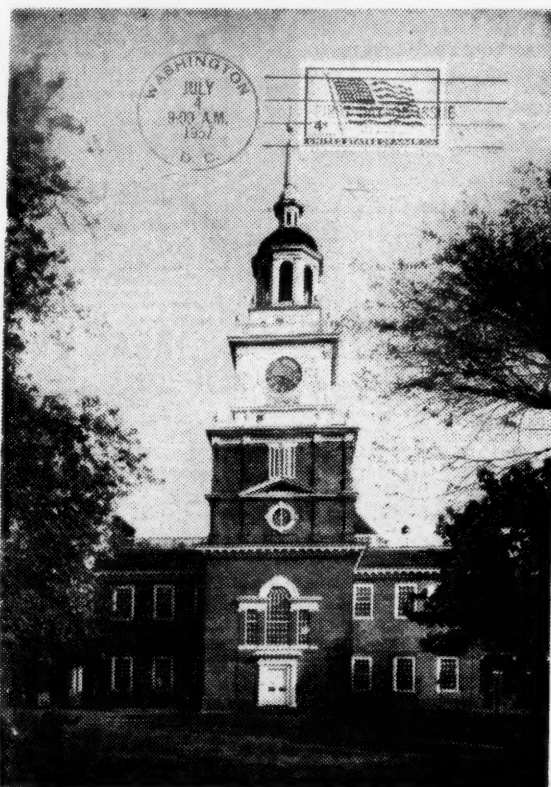
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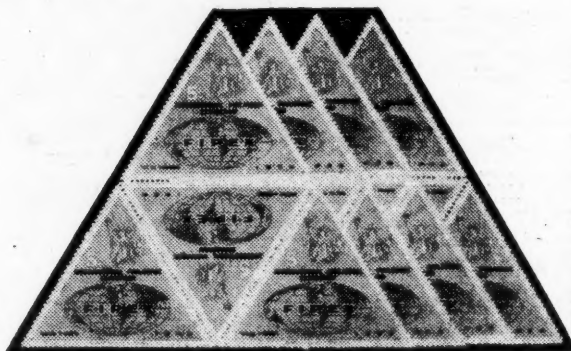
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the Japan Postage Stamp Assn., published in 1940).

The design selected for the 4s. value depicts the sacred peak of Takachiho, one of the peaks of the Kirishima Mountains as viewed from Karakune Peak.

Going back again to the Nihongi, we find that Ninigo-no-Mikoto, a grandson of Amaterasu Omikami (the great Goddess of Heaven) and the great grandfather of Emperor Jimmu, came down from heaven and first set foot on the top of Takachiho Peak in Hyuga Province. Amaterasu - Omikami, the Great Goddess of Heaven, lived in Takamagahara, the Japanese Heaven.

It was when Amaterasu-Omikami heard that Japan was in deplorable condition and was under the domination of an alien people that she decided to send her grandson down to Japan to rule over the country. It was Ninigo-no-Mikoto then who first tied Japan and Heaven together by descending upon Takachiho.

The design of the 10s. adhesive is quite interesting. It shows a sake jar, fish and tranquil waves. Going back once again to the Nihongi, we find that according to some computations, one day in December 663 B. C. Emperor Jimmu arrived in Usa after starting his trip from Hyuga on, 'tis said, October 5, 667 B. C.

Upon arriving in Usa, the Emperor climbed small Mt. Takakura to view the surrounding country. He had learned of the hostile acts of the alien tribes and savages in the surrounding country.

That night he dreamed that he was to get some clay from the top of Amano - Kagoyama and make eight flat dishes and one wine jar, and to dedicate these to the Gods and Goddesses of Heaven. The next morning, two of his assistants obtained clay and the Emperor set to work, made the dishes and the jar and dedicated them accordingly.

At the same time, seeking an omen, he filled the jar with wine and sank it in the river, deciding that if fish came to it, got drunk, and then came to the surface of the

river, it would be a sure sign of the success of the mission, but if no fish came, he would take it as an omen that he would fail.

Great was his joy a little later to find drunken fish floating on the water. This interesting event has since been considered a happy omen and it was even submitted as the design for the "Banzai-bata" ("Long Live Flat") used for the festival at the Imperial Palace. The sacred jar was called "Itsute" (from "itsu" meaning "sacred" and "be" or "he" meaning "jar").

The design of the 20s. stamp depicts Kashiwara Shrine. Once again, we go back to the Nihongi, in which we learn that in the mythological February 662 B. C., after the Emperor had subdued the rest of Yamato Province and restored peace to the country, he issued an Imperial Rescript stating that:

"After five years of war, the rebels have been subdued and peace to central Japan has been restored. There is one thing I wish to accomplish, and that is to build an Imperial Palace at Kashiwara, south-east of Mt. Unebi, which is the center of the Empire."

The account continues that Emperor Jimmu was then married and that on a date variously stated to be January 1, February 11, February 18, and so on, of 660 B. C., he ascended the first throne of the Japanese Empire at the Kashiwara Palace.

Significance of the Dates of Issue—Two of the stamps were issued February 11, 1940 in terms of our present western or Gregorian calendar. This is said to correspond exactly with a period of 2600 years running all the way back to February 11, 660 B. C.

As to the date November 10, 1940 on which the two remaining stamps were issued, no announcement was made by the Japanese authorities as to the reasons for selecting this particular date.

George A. Fisher, Jr. editor of Japanese Philately, calls attention to the fact, however, that both Emperor Taisho and Emperor Hirohito were enthroned on November 10 (1915 and 1928, respectively) and Crown Prince Akihito was nominated Heir Apparent on November 10,

1952, and that thus the date November 10 is of considerable significance.

The Validity of the Date 660 B. C.—As pointed out by Professor B. H. Chamberlain in "Things Japanese", one eminent German professor even discussed the hour of Emperor Jimmu's accession to the throne in the year 660 B. C!

Actually, there was no written system in Japan for at least another thousand years. The earliest written work to come down to us is the "Kojiki" ("Record of Ancient Matters") dating from 712 A. D. followed by the Nihongi which was written in 720 A. D.

It appears somewhat probable that following the introduction into Japan of the Chinese calendar, in 600 A. D. or thereabouts, the Japanese merely added a Chinese Great Cycle of 1,260 years and used this cycle to set an arbitrary date of 1,260 years before 600 A. D. to obtain the date of 660 B. C. Thereupon they assigned this date to the large volume of oral tradition in existence, to mark the commencement of the Japanese Imperial Line.

Obviously, the 660 B. C. date must be regarded as mythological, but mythology is interesting and constitutes no danger unless it is misconstrued as constituting actual history. Be that as it may be, the stamps discussed in this account faithfully depict the account of an early, mythological Japan and constitute an interesting chapter in the field of Japanese philately.

Having somewhat arbitrarily selected 660 B. C., the task—a couple of thousand years and more later—of expressing the exact date in terms of the Western calendar of the date of Emperor Jimmu's accession to the throne, was somewhat more difficult. Various writers have picked various dates.

Mr. Shimoda gives the date as "January 1, 660 B. C." Having picked on the first day of the first month of the year, some writers have construed this as being "January 1". This is far too simple a solution.

Actually, there was no Japanese lunar calendar in being at the time of Emperor Jimmu's enthronement. Had there been a lunar calendar at the time, it would have corresponded to February 18, 660 B. C. under the Julian calendar of the west, or February 11 of the later Gregorian calendar. But nobody had a calendar in 660 B. C.; all the systems are retroactively computed in much later times.

Theoretically, one might argue that the "fairest" computation would be one which computed the 2600th anniversary by counting 2,532 lunar-calendar years (varying from 354 to 384 days long) from 660 B. C. to sometime in 1872 or 1873, and then calculating an extra 68 solar-calendar years to bring it down to 1939 or 1940, or somewhere around there.

Whatever this may or may not prove is doubtful, but at least it probably would not work out to January 1, 660 B. C.

Perhaps there is no real need to fix an absolute date, but if one is to be established (and one apparently has been fixed), the date "February 11 Gregorian" is as good as any. And that is the date selected by the Japanese to celebrate the 2600th anniversary of the enthronement of Emperor Jimmu.



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